

REPORTS *Case 61*

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

SOUTHBRIDGE,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1880.



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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1879-80.

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### CLERK:

HENRY A. MORSE.

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### TREASURER:

FRANCIS L. CHAPIN.

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### SELECTMEN:

JAMES J. OAKES, ALBERT H. WHEELER, STEPHEN K. EDWARDS.

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### OVERSEERS OF THE POOR:

STEPHEN P. IRWIN, JR., LEONARD CUTLER, CLEMENT BEGIN.

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### ASSESSORS:

CHARLES W. WELD, AUGUSTUS COOK, LUTHER S. AMMIDOWN.

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### AUDITORS:

WILLIAM D. MORSE, CHARLES W. JOHNSON, PATRICK DUFFY.

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### LIBRARY COMMITTEE:

|  |                    |                   |                   |
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| M. LEONARD,                            | Term expires 1880. | S. P. IRWIN, JR., | Term expires 1881 |
| WM. R. PATON,                          | " 1880.            | T. J. HARRINGTON, | " 1881.           |
| GEO. G. BULFINCH,                      | " 1880.            | WM. HALLORAN,     | " 1881.           |
| ELISHA M. PHILLIPS, Term expires 1882. |                    |                   |                   |
| JOSEPH JAGGER, " 1882.                 |                    |                   |                   |
| GEORGE H. MELLEN, " 1882.              |                    |                   |                   |

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

|                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| J. M. AMMIDOWN,       | Term expires 1880. |
| REV. B. V. STEVENSON, | " 1881.            |
| ELISHA M. PHILLIPS,   | " 1882.            |

## TOWN OFFICERS.

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

JOHN O. MCKINSTRY, Term expires 1880.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, " 1880.

STEPHEN P. IRWIN, JR., Term expires 1881.

A. J. BARTHOLOMEW, " 1881.

LUTHER S. AMMIDOWN, Term expires 1882.

EDWIN BACON, " 1882.

## FENCE VIEWERS:

WILLIAM H. H. CHENEY, JAMES BROWN, SOLOMON THAYER.

## SURVEYORS OF LUMBER:

LUTHER D. CLEMENCE, HENRY HYDE, JOSEPH S. SPENCER,

VICTOR W. LAMOUREUX, DANFORTH DOUTY.

## FIELD DRIVERS:

MATTHEW McVEY, District No. 1. | HERBERT DRESSER, District No. 4.

E. E. CHASE, " " 2. | HENRY SCARBOROUGH, " " 5.

BENJAMIN W. PATON, " " 3. | JAMES LYON, " " 6.

SANDERS CLARK, District No. 7.

## FIRE ENGINEERS:

PLINY M. CLARKE, CHIEF.

WILLIAM C. BARNES, 1st Assist. PAUL J. WHELAN, 2nd Assist.

## COLLECTOR OF TAXES:

SOLOMON THAYER.

## HIGHWAY SURVEYOR:

CHARLES W. WELD.

## CONSTABLES:

JOSEPH M. OLNEY, FRANK E. PARKER, PAUL N. LECLAIR,

DENNIS RYAN, GEORGE H. THAYER.

## POLICE OFFICERS:

CHARLES E. SAMMONS, FREDERIC C. SPRAGUE, LINUS C. ALBEE,

JOSEPH S. BARTLETT, ALPHEUS S. BUELL, CALVIN CLAFLIN,

GEORGE LAMOUREUX, MICHAEL MAHONEY, SAM. F. FREEMAN,

MARCUS DILLABER, EDWIN O. GILLMORE.

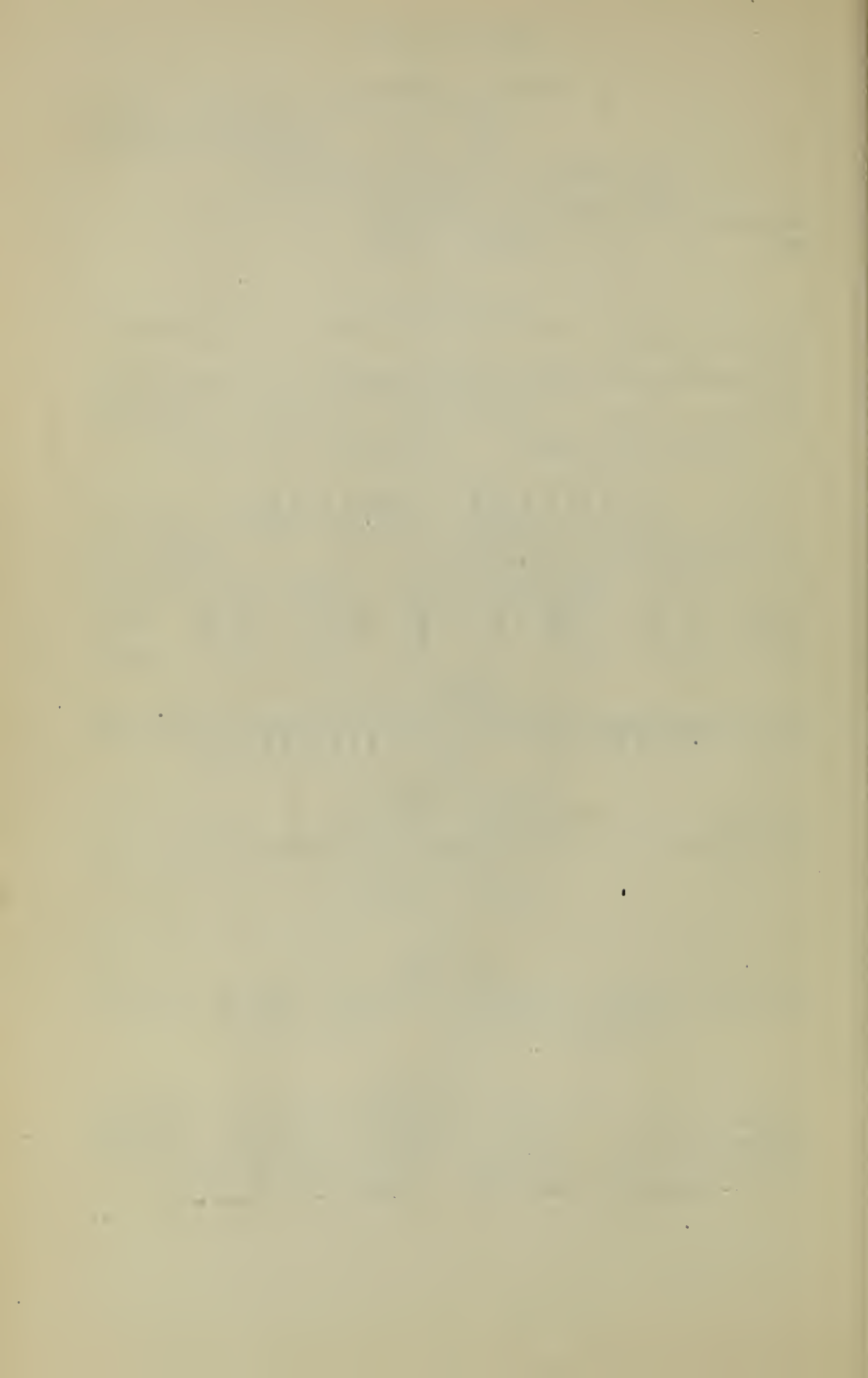
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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
AUDITORS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE.

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# REPORT.

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The Auditors of Southbridge present the Annual Report of the financial transactions of the town for the year ending March 1, 1880.

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## THE ACCOUNT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

As presented by him, is herewith submitted, having been examined and found correct.

F. L. CHAPIN, *Treasurer*, in account with the Town of Southbridge, for the year ending February 29, 1880.

### RECEIPTS.

|   |         |    |
|---|---------|----|
| Cash in treasury March 1, 1880 .....        | \$5,665 | 95 |
| Due from L. Morton, Collector .....         | 39      | 00 |
| Due from T. Potter, Collector .....         | 122     | 35 |
| Due from C. E. Cady, Collector.....         | 1,650   | 79 |
| Due from S. Thayer, Collector.....          | 351     | 35 |
| State tax .....                             | \$875   | 00 |
| County tax .....                            | 2,854   | 07 |
| Bank tax and overlayings .....              | 1,453   | 55 |
| Center watch district and overlayings ..... | 703     | 73 |
| Overlayings on taxes.....                   | 134     | 41 |
| Common schools.....                         | 5,660   | 00 |
| Discount on taxes.....                      | 3,000   | 00 |
| Highways .....                              | 2,515   | 00 |
| Outside poor... ..                          | 2,500   | 00 |

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Amounts carried forward... .. \$19,695 76 \$7,829 44

|  |             |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Amounts brought forward.....             | \$19,695 76 | \$7,829 44  |
| Engine men .....                         | 2,240 00    |             |
| High school .....                        | 1,650 00    |             |
| Interest .....                           | 1,500 00    |             |
| Salaries .....                           | 1,400 00    |             |
| Public library .....                     | 1,000 00    |             |
| Support of poor .....                    | 1,000 00    |             |
| South street .....                       | 1,000 00    |             |
| Payment of debts .....                   | 900 00      |             |
| Fire department .....                    | 800 00      |             |
| Marcy street sidewalk .....              | 700 00      |             |
| Street lights .....                      | 600 00      |             |
| Main and Pleasant street sidewalks ..... | 550 00      |             |
| Contingent account schools .....         | 500 00      |             |
| Cemetery improvements .....              | 500 00      |             |
| North Main street sidewalk .....         | 300 00      |             |
| Sayles street .....                      | 300 00      |             |
| Printing .....                           | 250 00      |             |
| Bridges .....                            | 200 00      |             |
| Contingent expenses .....                | 200 00      |             |
| Mill street sidewalk .....               | 200 00      |             |
| Police station contingent .....          | 175 00      |             |
| Cemetery plans .....                     | 50 00       |             |
| Decoration day .....                     | 50 00       |             |
| Insurance .....                          | 25 00       |             |
|  | <hr/>       | \$35,785 76 |
| State Treasurer, bank tax .....          | 1,065 98    |             |
| Corporation tax .....                    | 976 34      |             |
| State aid .....                          | 280 00      |             |
| Income Massachusetts school fund .....   | 262 80      |             |
| Discount on bank tax .....               | 145 35      |             |
| Collecting and assessing bank tax .....  | 13 08       |             |
| Pauper account .....                     | 12 55       |             |
| Error in bank tax .....                  | 11 57       |             |
| County Treasurer, dog fund .....         | 291 85      |             |
| Sidewalk assessment .....                | 1,224 24    |             |
| Liquor licenses .....                    | 500 00      |             |
| Cemetery fund .....                      | 411 00      |             |
| Center watch district .....              | 400 00      |             |
| Estate Lucian Green .....                | 214 05      |             |
| C. A. Paige, account M. O'Brien .....    | 93 00       |             |
| Labor, teams and men .....               | 78 32       |             |
|  | <hr/>       |             |
| Amount carried forward .....             | \$49,595 33 |             |



## AUDITORS' REPORT.

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| Amount brought forward .....                   | \$49,595 33 |
| Public library, books, cards, fines, &c .....  | 77 04       |
| Produce sold .....                             | 58 56       |
| Henry Fisk, toward support of Lydia Fisk ..... | 39 00       |
| Police station fees .....                      | 23 00       |
| Gravel sold ....                               | 20 75       |
| Use of town hall.....                          | 20 00       |
| Licenses .....                                 | 19 00       |
| Oxford, account E. Ellis .....                 | 13 71       |
| Naptha and barrels sold .....                  | 12 99       |
| Stove sold .....                               | 5 00        |
| Clement Begin, account John Parker .....       | 5 00        |
| Dan Smith ... ..                               | 4 01        |
| Old brick sold .....                           | 3 00        |
| Manure sold.....                               | 2 00        |
| Plank sold.....                                | 1 25        |
| Old iron sold .....                            | 50          |
| Money borrowed in anticipation of taxes .....  | 11,000 00   |
| Money borrowed for specific purposes.....      | 5,900 00    |
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|  | 66,800 14   |

## EXPENDITURES.

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|--|----------|
| Common schools....                       | 7,905 62 |
| South street .....                       | 3,500 65 |
| Discount on taxes.....                   | 3,305 55 |
| Outside poor....                         | 3,290 04 |
| Highways ....                            | 3,016 53 |
| County tax .....                         | 2,854 07 |
| Engine men....                           | 2,240 00 |
| Support of poor.....                     | 1,732 41 |
| Interest .....                           | 1,716 16 |
| Public library .....                     | 1,619 73 |
| High school ....                         | 1,589 47 |
| Edwards street .....                     | 1,499 52 |
| Bank tax....                             | 1,453 55 |
| Salaries .....                           | 1,364 11 |
| Marcy street sidewalk. ....              | 1,318 66 |
| Center watch district.....               | 1,190 09 |
| Street lights.....                       | 1,134 05 |
| Main and Pleasant streets sidewalk ..... | 971 81   |
| State tax .....                          | 875 00   |

Amount carried forward .....

\$42,577 02

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Amount brought forward.....                         | \$42,577 02       |
| Fire department.....                                | 721 83            |
| Globe Main street sidewalk.....                     | 675 03            |
| Contingent account schools, &c.....                 | 636 35            |
| Contingent expenses.....                            | 634 66            |
| Sayles street.....                                  | 507 91            |
| Cemetery improvements.....                          | 503 76            |
| Sidewalks.....                                      | 456 48            |
| Abatement of taxes.....                             | 406 25            |
| State aid.....                                      | 298 00            |
| Printing.....                                       | 247 47            |
| Police station, contingent.....                     | 223 27            |
| Cemetery plan.....                                  | 200 00            |
| Bridges.....  | 198 53            |
| Mechanics street sidewalk.....                      | 137 96            |
| Mill street sidewalk.....                           | 129 56            |
| State Treasurer, licenses.....                      | 125 00            |
| Insurance.....                                      | 105 92            |
| Railing highways.....                               | 86 47             |
| Decoration day.....                                 | 58 86             |
| School apparatus.....                               | 51 56             |
| Crane street sidewalk.....                          | 21 13             |
| Note to William A. Marcy, dated April 15, 1875..... | 5,000 00          |
| Money borrowed in anticipation of taxes.....        | 11,000 00         |
| Due from Charles E. Cady, Collector.....            | 255 79            |
| Due from Solomon Thayer, Collector.....             | 1,510 83          |
| Cash on hand.....                                   | 30 50             |
|   | <hr/> 1,797 12    |
|   | <hr/> \$66,800 14 |

## NOTES OUTSTANDING FEBRUARY 29, 1880.

| Date of Notes. | To whom given.           | Amounts.       | Payable | Rate of interest. |
|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------|-------------------|
| April 15, 1875 | John Marcy.....          | \$5,000        | 1880    | 6 percent.        |
| Aug. 8, 1876   | Luey H. Stowe.....       | 5,000          | 1881    | 5 "               |
| Sept. 17, 1877 | Brown, Riley & Co.....   | 5,000          | 1882    | 5 "               |
| Sept. 17, 1877 | Brown, Riley & Co.....   | 5,000          | 1883    | 5 "               |
| July 21, 1879  | Southbridge Savings Bank | 2,500          | Demand  | 4 "               |
| Dec'r 9, 1879  | Southbridge Savings Bank | 2,000          | Demand  | 5 "               |
| Feb. 27, 1880  | Southbridge Savings Bank | 1,400          | Demand  | 4 "               |
|                |                          | <hr/> \$25,900 |         |                   |

## BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS, FEBRUARY 29, 1880.

|                                   |                    |                               |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| School houses .....               | \$14,600 00        | Town property .....           | \$50,994 63        |
| Steam fire engines .....          | 8,000 00           | Notes payable.....            | 25,900 00          |
| Town house .....                  | 5,000 00           | Common schools .....          | 843 81             |
| Hose .....                        | 5,000 00           | Unappropriated funds.....     | 592 21             |
| Engine houses.....                | 4,000 00           | Center watch district.....    | 539 18             |
| Town farm .....                   | 3,400 00           | High school .....             | 533 72             |
| Lamp posts.....                   | 2,500 00           | Cemetery fund .....           | 458 25             |
| Police station .....              | 2,500 00           | Abatement of taxes.....       | 355 18             |
| Fire engines.....                 | 1,500 00           | Discount on taxes .....       | 334 31             |
| Personal property .....           | 1,375 13           | Dog fund .....                | 291 85             |
| New cemetery.....                 | 1,119 50           | State aid.....                | 280 31             |
| School furniture .....            | 1,090 00           | School Committee .....        | 262 80             |
| Hose carriages .....              | 1,000 00           | Salaries.....                 | 218 32             |
| General appropriations.....       | 29,028 12          | Support of poor .....         | 165 13             |
| S. Thayer, Collector.....         | 1,510 83           | Public library .....          | 157 68             |
| Marcy street sidewalk .....       | 320 02             | Dresser street cemetery ..... | 150 00             |
| C. E. Cady, Collector.....        | 255 79             | Fire department .....         | 138 87             |
| Interest.....                     | 149 95             | Mill street sidewalk .....    | 129 10             |
| Contingent account, schools ..... | 141 58             | Sidewalks .....               | 88 23              |
| Main and Pleasant sts. sidewalk.  | 78 60              | Cemetery improvements.....    | 72 98              |
| Mechanics street sidewalk.....    | 75 72              | School apparatus .....        | 50 62              |
| Globe Main street sidewalk .....  | 57 68              | Street lights.....            | 41 07              |
| Cash .....                        | 30 50              | Crane street sidewalk .....   | 29 91              |
| Contingent expenses .....         | 26 08              | Engine men .....              | 24 00              |
| Police station contingent.....    | 25 71              | Outside poor .....            | 17 74              |
| Railing highways .....            | 14 18              | Sayles street .....           | 12 84              |
|                                   |                    | Insurance .....               | 10 27              |
|                                   |                    | Highways .....                | 8 92               |
|                                   |                    | Printing .....                | 2 53               |
|                                   |                    | South street .....            | 2 47               |
|                                   |                    | Bridges .....                 | 2 08               |
|                                   |                    | Edwards street.....           | 48                 |
|                                   | <u>\$82,709 39</u> |                               | <u>\$82,709 39</u> |

Errors excepted.

F. L. CHAPIN, *Treasurer.*

SOUTHBRIDGE, March 1, 1880.

# INSURANCE

*on town property with date of expiration of policies.*

| Amount insured. | Property insured.                  | When expiring. |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| \$3,000.        | Books, &c., library.....           | July 1, 1880   |
| 1,000.          | Books, &c., library.....           | July 1, 1880   |
| 600.            | School house, Hooker district..... | April 1, 1880  |
| 2,500.          | Town house.....                    | May 1, 1881    |
| 600.            | School house, Bacon district....   | June 1, 1881   |
| 1,600.          | School house, Elm street.....      | Sept. 1, 1881  |
| 2,200.          | School house, Sandersdale.....     | Dec. 1, 1881   |
| 2,000.          | School house, Main street .....    | Jan. 1, 1882   |
| 1,500.          | Town hall, Elm street.....         | Feb. 1, 1882   |
| 600.            | School house, Sumner district..... | April 1, 1882  |
| 2,500.          | Library building.....              | Nov. 1, 1882   |
| 2,000.          | School house, Union street.....    | Nov. 1, 1882   |
| 2,692.          | Town farm buildings.....           | Dec. 1, 1882   |
| 2,000.          | School house, Main street .....    | Jan. 1, 1883   |
| 2,500.          | School house, School street.....   | Nov. 1, 1883   |
| 1,200.          | School house, River street. ....   | Nov. 1, 1883   |

There is no insurance on Police Station, or on either of the Engine Houses, Engines, Hose and Furniture, Town Clock or School house in Dennison District and Morris street School House.

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## VITAL STATISTICS

*Marriages, Births and Deaths in town from Jan. 1, 1879, to Jan. 1, 1880.*

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Number of marriages .....  | 52  |
| American, 14. French, 25. Irish, 13.   |     |
| Number of births.. .....   | 216 |
| American Parentage, 39. French, 127. Irish, 37. German, 3. English, 6. Scotch, 3. Poland, 1. |     |
| Number of deaths.....  | 87  |
| Americans, 30. French, 26. Irish, 28. English, 2. German, 1.                                 |     |

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Number of dogs licensed from April 1, 1879 to March 1, 1880.... 168  
Males, 159. Females, 9.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. MORSE, *Town Clerk.*

# TOWN DISBURSMENTS IN DETAIL.

## SALARIES.

### RECEIPTS.

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 . . . . .                | \$169 35         |
| Appropriation . . . . .                        | 1400 00          |
| State treasurer, collecting bank tax . . . . . | 13 08            |
|  | <hr/> \$1,582 43 |

### EXPENDITURES.

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| A. H. Wheeler to April 1, 1879 . . . . .  | 14 00              |
| S. K. Edwards " " " . . . . .   | 58 00              |
| Salary of selectmen 1 year from April 1, 1879 to<br>April 1, 1880 .. . . .          | 200 00             |
|   | <hr/> \$272 00     |
| Salary of Overseers of Poor 1 year from April 1,<br>1879 to April 1, 1880 . . . . . | 200 00             |
| L. S. Ammidown, services as Assessor . . . . .                                      | 27 50              |
| C. W. Weld " " " " . . . . .  | 45 62              |
| Augustus Cook " " " " . . . . .   | 96 49              |
|   | <hr/> 169 61       |
| B. V. Stevenson, services as school com-<br>mittee . . . . .                        | 170 00             |
| Making report 1878 and 1879 . . . . .   | 20 00              |
|   | <hr/> 190 00       |
| E. M. Phillips, services as school committee . . . . .                              | 97 50              |
| J. M. Ammidown " " " " . . . . .  | 117 50             |
|   | <hr/> 405 00       |
| F. L. Chapin, treasurer . . . . .   | 100 00             |
| Henry A. Morse, for recording births<br>deaths and marriages . . . . .              | 126 50             |
| Gleason and Cochran, making town re-<br>ports 1879 . . . . .                        | 25 00              |
| Auditing for March and April . . . . .  | 3 00               |
|   | <hr/> 28 00        |
| Amounts carried forward . . . . .   | \$28 00 \$1,273 11 |

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| Amounts brought forward.....                   | \$28 00 | \$1,273 11     |
| C. W. Johnson services as auditor to March 1.. | 25 00   |                |
| W. D. Morse, " " " " ..                        | 22 00   |                |
| P. W. Duffy, " " " " ..                        | 16 00   |                |
|  | <hr/>   | 91 00          |
|  |         | <hr/> 1,364 11 |

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| Balance to credit of this account.....               | 218 32   |
| Order to C. E. Cady, tax collector, outstanding..... | \$150 00 |

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## PRINTING.

### RECEIPTS.

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Appropriation..... | \$250 00 |
|--------------------|----------|

### EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Geo. M. Whitaker, printing town reports            | \$159 80 |          |
| adv. warrants, printing blanks,                    |          |          |
| &c .....   | 80 00    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 239 80   |
| W. W. Corbin, bill of printing.....                | 4 00     |          |
| M. R. Warren, license blanks....                   | 3 67     |          |
|  | <hr/>    | \$247 47 |
| Balance to credit this account March 1, 1880 ..... |          | \$2 53   |

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## INSURANCE.

### RECEIPTS.

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$91 19      |
| Appropriation .....         | 25 00        |
|                             | <hr/> 116 19 |

### EXPENDITURES.

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| E. M. Phillips, insurance during the year....    | 105 92      |
| Balance to credit of account March 1, 1880 ..... | <hr/> 10 27 |



## PUBLIC LIBRARY.

## RECEIPTS.

|                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 .....      | \$277 12         |
| Appropriation .....              | 1000 00          |
| Appropriation for printing ..... | 100 00           |
| Dog fund, 1879 .....             | 323 25           |
| Catalogues, fines, &c. ....      | 77 04            |
|                                  | <hr/> \$1,777 41 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Lee & Shepard, books.....                            | 418 62           |
| Manning Leonard, books.....                          | 20 45            |
|  | <hr/> \$433 07   |
| Manning Leonard, papers.....                         | 57 20            |
| Daily Advertiser.....                                | 9 75             |
| Library Journal, 2 years.....                        | 10 00            |
| Library Journal, book registry.....                  | 1 25             |
| Munn & Co., Scientific American.....                 | 10 00            |
|  | <hr/> \$88 20    |
| Mudge & Son, printing catalogues.....                | 117 00           |
| A. J. Comins, writing catalogues .....               | 40 00            |
|  | <hr/> \$157 00   |
| Am. library ass'n, supplies.....                     | 29 27            |
| P. M. Clarke, painting .....                         | 30 09            |
| F. D. Morse & Son, binding.....                      | 40 70            |
| A. J. Comins express and incidentals.....            | 60 20            |
| Mutual Gas Light Co., for the year..                 | 123 09           |
| order outstanding Mch 1, '79                         | 10 35            |
|  | <hr/> \$133 44   |
| Carpenter, Irwin & Co., coal.....                    | 31 01            |
| Wm. Edwards' Sons, coal.....                         | 7 00             |
| W. P. Plympton, wood.....                            | 3 75             |
|  | <hr/> \$41 76    |
|  | <hr/> \$335 46   |
| A. J. Comins, services as librarian.....             | \$600 00         |
|  | <hr/> \$1,619 73 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... | \$157 68         |

## HIGHWAYS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                            |          |            |
|----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879..... | \$10 45  |            |
| Appropriation.....         | 3,015 00 |            |
|                            | <hr/>    | \$3,025 45 |

## EXPENDITURES.

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|---|------------|----------|
| J. J. Oakes, men, gravel, &c.....               | 66 78      |          |
| Jas. H. Mason, self, man and team.....          | 108 15     |          |
| for gravel.....                                 | 131 80     |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 239 95   |
| C. W. Weld, labor per contract .....            | 1,375 00   |          |
| self, men and team on West-                     |            |          |
| ville road.....                                 | 45 02      |          |
| self, men and team labor on                     |            |          |
| culverts and breaking roads                     | 27 05      |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 1,447 07 |
| A. H. Wheeler, men breaking out roads..         | 23 62      |          |
| men on roads.....                               | 15 25      |          |
| men and teams on New Village                    |            |          |
| culvert.....                                    | 67 94      |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 106 81   |
| Horace Walker, self, men and team.....          | 42 31      |          |
| Wm. Edwards' Sons, men and teams .....          | 95 07      |          |
| S. K. Edwards, men and teams.....               | 3 19       |          |
| Joseph Williams, sundries .....                 | 10 59      |          |
| Geo. S. Stone, repairing tools, &c. ....        | 14 35      |          |
| Lamson & Woodbury, curbing and crossing... ..   | 26 26      |          |
| A. J. Bartholomew, drain under Marcy street.... | 30 00      |          |
| Hamilton Woolen Co., men and teams. ...         | 3 50       |          |
| for gravel . ....                               | 52 00      |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 55 50    |
| Calvin Claflin, New Village sewer.....          | 36 90      |          |
| cess pool for do .....                          | 32 20      |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 69 10    |
| Chas. M. Morse, widening highway near Lucien    |            |          |
| Lyon's.....                                     | 25 00      |          |
| Henry Walker, labor self, men and team.....     | 278 19     |          |
| P. H. Carpenter & Co., powder and fuse .....    | 4 95       |          |
| Daniel Whitford, men and team.....              | 19 65      |          |
| Andrew J. Clark, self, men and team.....        | 78 90      |          |
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| Amount carried forward .....                    | \$2,613 67 |          |



## AUDITORS' REPORT.

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| Amount brought forward.....                                 | \$2,613 67 |          |
| Michael Farrel, cement and labor.....                       | 4 64       |          |
| A. J. Plimpton, self, man and team.....                     | 4 25       |          |
| Charles Rawson, labor on Breakneck road.                    | 6 25       |          |
| H. Harwood, self, men, team and gravel do                   | 77 50      |          |
| George Perry, labor do                                      | 11 25      |          |
| Hiram B. Streeter, men and team do                          | 24 40      |          |
| Wheelock & Marcy, gravel do                                 | 4 20       |          |
| Lyman Chamberlain, gravel do                                | 4 80       |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 128 40   |
| John E. Sayles, self, man and team.....                     | 13 13      |          |
| L. A. Lyon, self.....                                       | 25 00      |          |
| Lucian Lyon, labor per contract.....                        | 2 50       |          |
| Willis Morse, labor.....                                    | 2 00       |          |
| F. L. Chapin, men and team .....                            | 14 10      |          |
| Hiram Morse, man and team....                               | 12 20      |          |
| Nelson Vinton, labor per contract.....                      | 12 00      |          |
| Dwight Marsh, labor ....                                    | 33 24      |          |
| C. Whiting, labor.....                                      | 1 75       |          |
| A. Marcelle, repairing tools.....                           | 3 45       |          |
| Morse Bros., one lantern .....                              | 1 28       |          |
| Cummings & Conant, bolts, plow point.....                   | 1 20       |          |
| Lyman Chamberlain, labor and gravel.....                    | 3 05       |          |
| Jas. Lyon, self, man and team.....                          | 17 87      |          |
| Chauncey Brown, self, man and team on Lebanon<br>hill ..... | 57 00      |          |
| Jos. Longsway, self, man and team.....                      | 9 00       |          |
| Andrew J. Clark, self, man and team ....                    | 13 65      |          |
| Amasa Haskell, labor per contract.....                      | 15 00      |          |
| C. L. Sprague, labor of self and man..                      | 11 40      |          |
| Mansfield culvert.....                                      | 14 75      |          |
| L. W. Curtis, order outstanding March 1, 1879....           | 2 00       |          |
|   | <hr/>      | 3,016 53 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880.....        |            | \$8 92   |

## EDWARDS STREET.

## RECEIPTS.

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$1,500 00 |
|                     | 5          |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| William Edwards' Sons, contract for building . . . .                             | \$667 00 |          |
| Pay of men . . . . .   | 16 33    |          |
| Stephen K. Edwards, land damages as awarded by<br>County Commissioners . . . . . | 300 00   |          |
| George H. Hartwell, land damages as awarded by<br>County Commissioners . . . . . | 125 00   |          |
| Lamson & Woodbury, 250 ft. curbing stone,<br>at 48 cents . . . . .               | 120 00   |          |
| 62 feet curbing . . . . .  | 29 76    |          |
| 5 corners, at \$2.25 . . . . .   | 11 25    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 161 01   |
| Stone & Hiscox, 300 ft. curbing, at 48 cents. 144 00                             |          |          |
| 50 feet flag stone, at 16 cents . . . .  | 8 00     |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 152 00   |
| George L. Winter, 74 feet drain pipe . . . . .                                   | 26 64    |          |
| 1 drain pipe bend . . . . .  | 1 60     |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 28 24    |
| S. Thayer, serving Commissioners' notices . . . . .                              | 11 10    |          |
| Charles W. Weld, self and men laying drain . . . . .                             | 9 84     |          |
| William Edwards, paving stone . . . . .  | 29 00    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 1,499 52 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 . . . . .                        |          | 48       |

## SAYLES STREET REPAIRS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                           |          |          |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation . . . . .   | \$500 00 |          |
| For gravel sold . . . . . | 20 75    |          |
|                           | <hr/>    | \$520 75 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| Charles W. Weld, self, men and teams . . . . .            | 426 29 |         |
| P. H. Carpenter & Co., powder and fuse . . . . .          | 13 65  |         |
| Duffy & Lewis, tools . . . . .                            | 2 25   |         |
| Dwight Chamberlain, repairing steps, &c. . . . .          | 17 30  |         |
| Frank Ryan, repairing drills and picks . . . . .          | 48 42  |         |
|   | <hr/>  | 507 91  |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 . . . . . |        | \$12 84 |

## SOUTH STREET.

## RECEIPTS.

|                            |            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation .....        | \$3,500 00 |            |
| James A. King, labor ..... | 2 50       |            |
| H. D. West, labor.....     | 62         |            |
|                            | <hr/>      | \$3,503 12 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| James J. Oakes, men and teams .....  | 2,771 20 |          |
| George K. Dresser, lime and cement .....                                   | 11 08    |          |
| Men and teams .....  | 39 20    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 50 28    |
| J. M. & L. D. Clemence, lumber .....                                       | 32 61    |          |
| J. M. Clemence, land damages as awarded<br>by County Commissioners.....    | 250 00   |          |
| Ruth C. Thompson, land damages as awarded by<br>County Commissioners ..... | 10 00    |          |
| George S. Stone, repairing tools, &c .....                                 | 17 88    |          |
| George L. Winter, drain pipe, &c .....                                     | 4 11     |          |
| William Edwards' Sons, lumber .....  | 19 07    |          |
| P. H. Carpenter & Co., powder and fuse... ..                               | 46 07    |          |
| Drain pipe ... ..  | 5 46     |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 51 53    |
| Napoleon Bertheaume, drill steel .....                                     | 3 96     |          |
| A. A. Butterworth, labor and material. ....                                | 20 97    |          |
| Isaac Clark, repairing tools .....   | 16 48    |          |
| Joseph Williams, tools .....   | 22 91    |          |
| Cummings & Conant, tools .....   | 10 00    |          |
| Pliny M. Clarke, painting steps .....                                      | 4 64     |          |
| George Whitford, laying brick, and lime.....                               | 10 50    |          |
| A. Belford, labor on fences .....  | 15 00    |          |
| George A. Dresser, 22 days' labor .....                                    | 66 00    |          |
| P. Welch, turfing .....  | 10 00    |          |
| Leonard Cutler, work and material .....                                    | 36 47    |          |
| Southbridge Brick company, 2000 brick .....                                | 14 00    |          |
| Calvin Cladin, work on sewer.....  | 7 12     |          |
| William Griffin, concreting .....  | 29 42    |          |
| Frank Parson, surveying and drafting .....                                 | 26 50    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 3,500 65 |

Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 ..... 2 47

## BRIDGES.

## RECEIPTS.

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation . . . . .  | \$200 00 |          |
| Old plank sold . . . . . | 1 25     |          |
|                          | <hr/>    | \$201 25 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |       |        |
|---|-------|--------|
| Balance against this at March 1879 . . . . .              | 64    |        |
| J. S. Gleason, tarred paper . . . . .                     | 1 70  |        |
| Wm. Edwards' Sons, plank . . . . .                        | 48 00 |        |
| E. M. Horton, plank . . . . .                             | 26 52 |        |
| Duffy & Lewis, nails . . . . .                            | 2 72  |        |
| A. H. Wheeler, labor of men . . . . .                     | 13 50 |        |
| David Largess, drawing plank . . . . .                    | 4 00  |        |
| Geo. L. Winter, nails . . . . .                           | 5 20  |        |
| H. H. Bixby, plank . . . . .                              | 24 08 |        |
| J. M. & L. D. Clemence, plank and timber . . . . .        | 40 44 |        |
| P. M. Clark, paint . . . . .                              | 1 65  |        |
| Alex Boyer, labor of self and men . . . . .               | 27 25 |        |
| Jos. Williams, spikes . . . . .                           | 3 47  |        |
|   | <hr/> | 199 17 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 . . . . . |       | \$2 08 |

## SIDEWALKS.

## RECEIPTS.

|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 . . . . .                 | \$106 33 |          |
| Transferred balance from Pine street . . . . .  | 68 25    |          |
| Transferred Hamilton street reservoir . . . . . | 39 10    |          |
| C. S. Edmonds . . . . .                         | 23       |          |
| Chapin street . . . . .                         | 13       |          |
| Wm. Edwards . . . . .                           | 3 00     |          |
| H. D. West, curbing . . . . .                   | 11 90    |          |
| Assessments . . . . .                           | 315 77   |          |
|   | <hr/>    | \$544 71 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| Wm. Edwards' Sons, men and teams.....                 | \$97 48 |          |
| plank and joists.....                                 | 67 35   |          |
|   | —       | \$164 83 |
| J. J. Oakes, men and teams.....                       |         | 5 01     |
| Duffy & Lewis, for nails .....                        |         | 7 44     |
| L. Cutler, labor and lumber .....                     |         | 5 48     |
| Wm. Griffin, laying concrete....                      |         | 114 99   |
| Daniel Whitford, man and team...                      |         | 5 25     |
| Geo. K. Dresser, self and man.....                    |         | 5 88     |
| Chapin and Bartholomew, drawing gravel.....           |         | 12 00    |
| J. M. & L. D. Clemence, lumber .....                  |         | 8 99     |
| Verney Fisk, labor.....                               |         | 1 00     |
| Joseph Williams, sand .....                           |         | 8 50     |
| Geo. L. Winter, picks, &c.....                        |         | 2 70     |
| Dwight Chamberlain, labor and lumber .....            |         | 15 35    |
| L. Phelps, 7 1-4 feet curbing .....                   |         | 3 26     |
| A. H. Wheeler, men and team .....                     |         | 13 00    |
| Chas. M. Morse, one drag.....                         |         | 5 00     |
| S. Dresser, 2m brick .....                            |         | 14 00    |
| Alfred Belford, labor.....                            |         | 21 00    |
| Chas. Hyde & Co., plank .....                         |         | 23 13    |
| M. Farrell, labor laying walk.....                    |         | 19 67    |
|   |         | —————    |
|   |         | \$456 48 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 ..... |         | \$88 23  |

## MARCY STREET SIDEWALK.

## RECEIPTS.

|                             |          |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$100 00 |          |
| Appropriation .....         | 700 00   |          |
| Labor .....                 | 60 58    |          |
| Assessment.....             | 138 06   |          |
|                             | —————    | \$998 64 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |  |
|--|----------|--|
| William Edwards' Sons, men and teams.. | \$560 19 |  |
| For 1480 feet plank .....              | 23 68    |  |
|  | —————    |  |
| Amount carried forward .....           | \$583 87 |  |



|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| Amount brought forward.....                         | \$538 87 |          |
| Lamson & Woodbury, for curbing .....                | 159 77   |          |
| Daniel Whitford, man and team .....                 | 25 55    |          |
| William Edwards, paving stone.....                  | 14 00    |          |
| William Griffin, 529½ yards concrete, at 34 cents.. | 180 08   |          |
| H. D. West, damage from blasting.....               | 2 00     |          |
| George S. Stone, repairing tools. . . . .           | 6 20     |          |
| Francis L. Chapin, man and team.....                | 23 70    |          |
| J. M. & L. D. Clemence, lumber.....                 | 2 50     |          |
| James F. Parker, man and team .....                 | 19 25    |          |
| George K. Dresser, man and team.....                | 30 00    |          |
| E. Merrit Cole, curbing and flag stone.....         | 61 05    |          |
| James J. Oakes, flag stone .....                    | 3 45     |          |
| Libya M. Litchfield, man and team .....             | 42 00    |          |
| Joseph Williams, for tools.....                     | 10 31    |          |
| Samuel Williams, 150 feet curbing.....              | 72 00    |          |
| Edwin Bacon, drawing stone .....                    | 1 00     |          |
| P. H. Carpenter & Co., powder and fuse.....         | 3 40     |          |
| Cummings & Conant, curbing and corners .....        | 97 78    |          |
|   | <hr/>    |          |
|   | 1,337 91 |          |
| Order outstanding .....                             | 19 25    |          |
|   | <hr/>    |          |
|   |          | 1,318 66 |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880.....     |          | \$320 02 |

### MAIN STREET SIDEWALK.

[from Pleasant street to O. N. Upham's]

#### RECEIPTS.

|                            |         |          |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879..... | \$20 50 |          |
| Appropriation .....        | 300 00  |          |
| Assessments.....           | 296 85  |          |
|                            | <hr/>   |          |
|                            |         | \$617 35 |

#### EXPENDITURES.

|   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| Lamson and Woodbury, 100 ft. flagging.....      | 16 00  |         |
| L. M. Litchfield, man and team.....             | 59 38  |         |
| Griffin Bro's., laying concrete.....            | 213 50 |         |
| A. H. Wheeler, labor of men and team ...        | 291 31 |         |
| Duffy & Lewis, tools.....                       | 5 49   |         |
| Chas. Hyde, lumber.....                         | 3 10   |         |
| Frank Parson, surveying....                     | 3 50   |         |
| Geo. A. and G. K. Dresser, men and teams.....   | 82 75  |         |
|   | <hr/>  |         |
|   |        | 675 03  |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880..... |        | \$57 68 |

## MAIN AND PLEASANT STREET SIDEWALKS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                       |          |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation .....   | \$550 00 |          |
| Labor and stone ..... | 14 62    |          |
| Assessments.....      | 328 59   |          |
|                       | <hr/>    | \$893 21 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |        |         |
|--|--------|---------|
| A. H. Wheeler, pay roll .....                    | 277 78 |         |
| L. W. Curtis, stone and gravel .....             | 47 04  |         |
| Michael Farrell, men and cement.....             | 14 29  |         |
| Griffin Bro.'s, 450 yds. concrete, 34c.....      | 153 00 |         |
| 85 do driveway, 75c.....                         | 63 75  |         |
|  | <hr/>  | 216 75  |
| Dwight Chamberlain, making steps .....           | 7 65   |         |
| L. M. Litchfield, for teams.....                 | 53 15  |         |
| Lamson & Woodbury, 450 ft. curbing.....          | 216 00 |         |
| 185 ft flag, 46c.....                            | 29 60  |         |
| Sewer stone and flagging.....                    | 34 55  |         |
|  | <hr/>  | 280 15  |
| Geo. A. and Geo. K. Dresser, men and team.....   | 75 00  |         |
|  | <hr/>  | 971 81  |
|  | <hr/>  |         |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880 ..... |        | \$78 60 |

## MILL STREET SIDEWALK.

## RECEIPTS.

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$200 00 |          |
| Assessments.....    | 58 66    |          |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$258 66 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |         |        |
|--|---------|--------|
| Calvin Claffin, laying concrete.....                 | \$35 00 |        |
| Hamilton Woolen Co., men, team, gravel, lumber.      | 42 24   |        |
| Lamson & Woodbury, 109 ft. curbing.....              | 52 32   |        |
|  | <hr/>   | 129 56 |
|  | <hr/>   |        |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... |         | 129 10 |

## SIDEWALK ASSESSMENTS DUE.

|   |         |                 |
|---|---------|-----------------|
| Main and Mechanic street sidewalk, Chas. Hyde & Co..... | \$95 27 |                 |
| N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co .....                            | 49 41   |                 |
|   |         | <hr/> \$144 68. |
| River street sidewalk, Judson McIntire .....            |         | 37 80           |
| Marcy Street, Heirs of Liberty Litchfield .....         | 122 07  |                 |
| John Marcy .....  | 291 49  |                 |
|   |         | <hr/> 413 56    |
| Main street, Otis Upham.....                            |         | 73 25           |
| Chapin street, Geo. W. Corey.....                       | 26 27   |                 |
| E. M. Phillips .....                                    | 93 03   |                 |
|   |         | <hr/> 119 30    |
| Total .....   |         | <hr/> \$788 59  |

## STREET LIGHTS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                             |          |                  |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$562 13 |                  |
| Appropriation .....         | 600 00   |                  |
| For old barrels sold .....  | 12 99    |                  |
|                             |          | <hr/> \$1,175 12 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |        |                  |
|--|--------|------------------|
| Mutual Gaslight company .....                              | 429 31 |                  |
| U. S. Street-lighting Co., care of 66 lamps 5 months ..... | 275 84 |                  |
| Thomas Mansfield, care of 13 lamps 9 months .....          | 46 04  |                  |
| Marcus Dillaber, care 37 lamps 7½ months. 121 88           |        |                  |
| Storing naphtha and labor.....                             | 9 00   |                  |
|  |        | <hr/> 130 88     |
| Enos Avey, care of 49 lamps .....                          | 171 00 |                  |
| Labor on lamps.....  | 3 50   |                  |
|  |        | <hr/> 174 50     |
| Pliny M. Clark, setting glass .....                        | 6 40   |                  |
| Lewis O. Thompson, storing naphtha .....                   | 9 00   |                  |
| Ellis & Cook, matches, &c .....                            | 5 45   |                  |
| James T. McKinstry, setting glass .....                    | 4 55   |                  |
| J. & W. Booth, setting glass and painting .....            | 13 62  |                  |
| N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight on naphtha .....              | 4 20   |                  |
| Samuel Walker & Co., for naphtha .....                     | 23 31  |                  |
|  |        | <hr/> \$1,123 10 |
| Amount carried forward.. .....                             |        |                  |



|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| Amount brought forward.....                           | \$1,123 10 |            |
| Henry D. Edwards, trucking .....                      | 3 00       |            |
| Isaac Clark, repairing lanterns .....                 | 70         |            |
| J. P. Carey, storing lamps while painting.....        | 4 00       |            |
| Frank Ryan, repairing lanterns .....                  | 1 00       |            |
| Benjamin W. Paton, corks .....                        | 25         |            |
| Duffy & Lewis, repairing lanterns .....               | 50         |            |
| James J. Oakes, carting naphtha .....                 | 1 50       |            |
|   | <hr/>      | \$1,134 05 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 ..... |            | \$41 07    |

## RAILING.

## RECEIPTS.

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$72 29 |
|-----------------------------|---------|

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| Alexander Boyer, labor .....                    | \$3 75 |         |
| Isaac Clark, labor and material ....            | 17 01  |         |
| William Edwards' Sons, fence lumber .....       | 4 98   |         |
| Stone & Hiscox; stone posts ....                | 20 00  |         |
| George A. Dresser, labor per contract .....     | 23 00  |         |
| Charles Hyde, lumber.....                       | 15 73  |         |
| Mnason Morse, posts .....                       | 2 00   |         |
|   | <hr/>  | 86 47   |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880..... |        | \$14 18 |

## DECORATION DAY.

## RECEIPTS.

|                             |        |         |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$8 86 |         |
| Appropriation .....         | 50 00  |         |
|                             | <hr/>  | \$58 86 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|
| James F. Parker, for teams . . . . .    | \$11 00 |         |
| James A. King, for flags . . . . .      | 1 75    |         |
| Band Nationale, for services . . . . .  | 25 00   |         |
| Drum corps, for services . . . . .      | 10 00   |         |
| William A. H. Grant, sundries . . . . . | 11 11   |         |
|   | <hr/>   | \$58 86 |

## INTEREST.

## RECEIPTS.

|                                 |          |            |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 . . . . . | \$66 21  |            |
| Appropriation . . . . .         | 1,500 00 |            |
|                                 | <hr/>    | \$1,566 21 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| William A. Marcy . . . . .                           | \$467 50 |          |
| Southbridge Savings Bank . . . . .                   | 198 66   |          |
| Daniel Whitford . . . . .                            | 250 00   |          |
| Francis L. Chapin, Treasurer . . . . .               | 800 00   |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 1,716 16 |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880 . . . . . |          | \$149 95 |

## POLICE STATION.

## RECEIPTS.

|                         |          |          |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation . . . . . | \$175 00 |          |
| Lock-up fees . . . . .  | 23 00    |          |
|                         | <hr/>    | \$198 00 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |        |          |
|--|--------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 . . . . .              | 44     |          |
| Mutual Gas-light Company . . . . .           | 18 57  |          |
| Lewis O. Thompson, care of lock-up . . . . . | 116 00 |          |
| For labor . . . . .                          | 2 50   |          |
|  | <hr/>  | 118 50   |
| James J. Oakes, wood and cutting . . . . .   | 37 79  |          |
|  | <hr/>  | \$175 30 |
| Amount carried forward . . . . .             |        | \$175 30 |

|  |          |         |
|--|----------|---------|
| Amount brought forward.....                    | \$175 30 |         |
| David Blackmer, wood.....                      | 2 75     |         |
| Alfred Marville, wood.....                     | 4 82     |         |
| D. Whitford, wood.....                         | 6 09     |         |
| E. P. Sheddon, wood.....                       | 5 75     |         |
| J. M. Geer, cutting wood....                   | 1 50     |         |
| Geo. Whitford, labor and material.....         | 7 50     |         |
| A. H. Shepard, for sprinkling street ..        | 12 00    |         |
| P. M. Clark, painting.....                     | 8 00     |         |
|  | <hr/>    | 223 71  |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880.... |          | \$25 71 |

## FEES DUE THE TOWN.

|                   |         |       |
|-------------------|---------|-------|
| S. Thayer .....   | \$10 00 |       |
| F. E. Parker..... | 2 50    |       |
| Total.....        | <hr/>   | 12 50 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

|                            |         |          |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879..... | \$60 70 |          |
| Appropriation .....        | 800 00  |          |
|                            | <hr/>   | \$860 70 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |          |       |
|---|----------|-------|
| Order outstanding....                     |          | 4 25  |
| P. M. Clark, cash for sundry accounts.... | \$33 09  |       |
| Curtains, and repairing engine            |          |       |
| house No. 2.....                          | 14 30    |       |
| Painting and varnishing apparatus.....    | 21 50    |       |
|   | <hr/>    | 68 89 |
| Teams for fires and practices.            |          |       |
| Hamilton Woolen Co....                    | 37 00    |       |
| A. H. Shepard.....                        | 40 50    |       |
| J. F. Parker.....                         | 47 00    |       |
|   | <hr/>    |       |
| Amounts carried forward.....              | \$124 50 | 73 14 |

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Amounts brought forward..                              | \$124 50 | \$73 14  |
| Ferry & Dimmick...                                     | 1 50     |          |
| Judson McIntire .....                                  | 8 50     |          |
|  |          |          |
|  |          | 134 50   |
| Frank Ryan for repairs .....                           |          | 15 40    |
| C. M. Clapp & Co., for rubber goods.....               |          | 66 21    |
| Hunneman & Co., 2 gong bells.....                      | 29 50    |          |
| Repairing hose and coupling...                         | 42 46    |          |
|  |          |          |
|  | 71 96    |          |
| CR.  |          |          |
| Old hose sold.....                                     | 43 99    |          |
|  |          | 27 97    |
| Cole Bros., new bed for steamer .....                  | 75 00    |          |
| New grate for steamer.....                             | 6 00     |          |
| Labor and expense putting in<br>same....               | 10 60    |          |
|  |          | 91 60    |
| J. Gates & Sons, 100 ft hose.....                      |          | 90 00    |
| L. Cutler, slating engine house.....                   | 85 96    |          |
| Labor, self and man .....                              | 8 90     |          |
|  |          | 94 86    |
| Sam'l Williams, chairs and repairs.....                |          | 4 75     |
| Calvin Clafin, repairing High<br>street reservoir..... |          | 5 27     |
| Allen Fire Department supply Co., sundries ....        |          | 14 90    |
| Duffy & Lewis.....                                     |          | 3 92     |
| Chas. Bosworth, link blocks....                        |          | 5 00     |
| John Curry, labor.....                                 |          | 1 00     |
| Frank Cady, supplies.....                              |          | 2 25     |
| H. C. Cady, labor, self and man on bed plate....       |          | 15 00    |
| B. W. Paton, sponge and chamois.....                   |          | 1 80     |
| Central Mills Co., waste.....                          |          | 1 64     |
| J. T. McKinstry, lead.....                             |          | 45       |
| Jos. Williams, labor, pipe, &c.....                    |          | 26 50    |
| E. S. Ellis, coal.....                                 |          | 42 67    |
| J. F. Parker, refreshment for firemen.....             |          | 3 00     |
|  |          | \$721 83 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880....    |          | \$138 87 |
| J. W. Robinson, order outstanding.....                 |          | 1 50     |

## PAY OF ENGINE MEN.

## RECEIPTS.

|                                 |          |            |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Balance March 1, 1880 . . . . . | \$24 00  |            |
| Appropriation . . . . .         | 2,240 00 |            |
|                                 | <hr/>    | \$2,264 00 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| Tiger Engine company . . . . .            | 450 00 |          |
| Melville Engine company . . . . .         | 450 00 |          |
| Steamer No. 1 . . . . .                   | 370 00 |          |
| Steamer No. 2 . . . . .                   | 370 00 |          |
| Hook and Ladder No. 1 . . . . .           | 150 00 |          |
| Hook and Ladder No. 2 . . . . .           | 150 00 |          |
| Pliny M. Clarke, Chief Engineer . . . . . | 100 00 |          |
| William C. Barnes, Assistant . . . . .    | 25 00  |          |
| Paul J. Whelan, Assistant . . . . .       | 25 00  |          |
| Franklin Cady, steward . . . . .          | 75 00  |          |
| Frank Douty, steward . . . . .            | 75 00  |          |
|   | <hr/>  | 2,240 00 |

Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 . . . . . \$24 00

## CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

## RECEIPTS.

|                                 |          |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 . . . . . | \$208 58 |          |
| Appropriation . . . . .         | 400 00   |          |
|                                 | <hr/>    | \$608 58 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |       |  |
|---|-------|--|
| County Commissioners, costs in highway case . . . . . | 20 35 |  |
| T. S. Wheelock, repairing watering tub . . . . .      | 2 50  |  |
| Eaton & Dixon, record books . . . . .                 | 14 50 |  |
| William C. Barnes, record books . . . . .             | 3 30  |  |
| Cummings & Conant, tools for highway . . . . .        | 2 80  |  |
| Southbridge Brick company, 4000 bricks . . . . .      | 30 00 |  |
| A. H. Barrett, services at town hall . . . . .        | 10 00 |  |
| Calvin Clafin, repairing town house . . . . .         | 61 43 |  |

Amount carried forward . . . . . \$144 88

|  |          |        |
|--|----------|--------|
| Amount brought forward.....  | \$144 88 |        |
| Robert Herron, repairing town house fence.....                                   | 4 80     |        |
| Joseph Williams, tools for highway .....   | 17 51    |        |
| A. A. Butterworth, labor and material at town house.                             | 18 16    |        |
| Liberty Reynolds, salary as sealer of weights and<br>measures .....              | 10 00    |        |
| Pliny M. Clarke, setting glass .....   | 75       |        |
| Painting and lettering st. signs... 37 25  |          | 38 00  |
| James T. McKinstry, painting street signs .....                                  | 2 20     |        |
| Samuel F. Freeman, conducting funerals... 11 00                                  |          |        |
| Samuel Williams, conducting funerals .....                                       | 18 00    |        |
| Amasa Haskell, conducting funerals .....   | 1 00     | 30 00  |
| Edwin Bacon, returning deaths to the Town Clerk.                                 | 22 00    |        |
| Leonard Cutler, labor and lumber.....  | 3 38     |        |
| William Edwards' Sons, use of team for Selectmen.                                | 35 85    |        |
| Stone & Hiscox, bound posts .....  | 8 00     |        |
| O. B. E. Chipman, repair'g damage done by blasting.                              | 3 70     |        |
| Solomon Thayer, police duty 35 Sundays.....                                      | 35 00    |        |
| William Edwards, labor of man and team .....                                     | 2 12     |        |
| Geo. S. Stone, repairing Emerson Clark's carriage..                              | 2 75     |        |
| A. J. Bartholomew, retainer for 1878 & 1879. 50 00                               |          |        |
| Services in Geo. A. Dresser case.. 25 00   |          |        |
| Services in laying out streets and<br>sidewalks .....                            | 49 50    | 124 50 |
| Marcus Dillaber, police duty ....  | 1 50     |        |
| Duffy & Lewis, repairing watering tub.....                                       | 50       |        |
| L. M. Dean, repairing hearse .....   | 26 75    |        |
| Mutual Gaslight company, gas for town hall.....                                  | 6 75     |        |
| Frank Parson, surveying, &c ....   | 8 00     |        |
| Albert H. Wheeler, for teams ..  | 2 25     |        |
| Perambulating town bounds... .. 2 45   |          | 4 70   |
| James J. Oakes, perambulating town bounds, teams,<br>stationery, stamps, &c..... | 26 15    |        |
| Newton E. Putney, work on town clock....   | 8 85     |        |
| Winding town clock .....   | 30 00    | 38 85  |
| J. M. Olney, serving warrants town meeting. 10 00                                |          |        |
| Notices served.....  | 6 86     |        |
| Amounts carried forward.....   | \$16 86  | 616 05 |



|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| Amounts brought forward..                       | \$16 86 | \$616 05 |
| J. M. Olney, 50 postal cards and printing .     | 1 75    |          |
|   | -----   | 18 61    |
|   |         | -----    |
|   |         | 634 66   |
| Order outstanding in favor of Lorenzo Morton    |         |          |
| March 1, 1880.....                              | 50 00   |          |
|   | -----   | 684 66   |
|   |         | -----    |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880..... |         | \$26 08  |

## CONTINGENT SCHOOLS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation .....  | \$500 00 |          |
| Old stove sold ..... | 5 00     |          |
|                      | -----    | \$505 00 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Order outstanding March 1, 1879 .....               | 107 91 |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1879.....     | 4 08   |
| Balance due Morris street school-house.....         | 6 15   |
| Leonard Cutler, labor and lumber .....              | 64 11  |
| Samuel Williams, shades and fixtures .....          | 13 75  |
| Joseph Williams, repairing stoves .....             | 4 95   |
| R. W. Morse, labor on Sumner school-house yard ..   | 2 25   |
| —— Trombley, taking census 1879.....                | 15 00  |
| C. T. Carpenter, straps for blackboard.....         | 50     |
| Cummings & Conant, repairs on roof and hooks, &c.   | 8 05   |
| William C. Barnes, books and paper.....             | 52 09  |
| Otis N. Upham, cleaning vault .....                 | 1 00   |
| Guy & Brothers, 1 dozen brooms.....                 | 2 75   |
| Bugbee & Wheeler, curtains and fixtures.....        | 1 67   |
| James A. King, book, stationery and crayon.....     | 9 69   |
| Charles D. Cruft, setting glass .....               | 1 25   |
| George L. Winter, repairing stoves, and supplies... | 9 65   |
| Calvin Clafin, labor and material .....             | 21 35  |
| Mrs. Coldrick, cleaning School-street school-house. | 5 00   |
| Duffy & Lewis, for supplies .....                   | 13 89  |

Amount carried forward .. . . . . \$345 09

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Amount brought forward.....  | \$345 09 |          |
| Dwight Chamberlain, labor and lumber .....                             | 25 80    |          |
| Pliny M. Clarke, painting and setting glass.....                       | 37 91    |          |
| James T. McKinstry, painting .....                                     | 18 90    |          |
| Setting glass.....   | 24 30    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 43 20    |
| Geo. M. Whitaker, printing schedules, &c .....                         | 11 10    |          |
| New England School-furnishing Co., desks, charts,<br>dusters, &c ..... | 147 13   |          |
| New York & New England railroad, freight....                           | 6 37     |          |
| Leonard Cutler, labor setting desks, &c .....                          | 17 98    |          |
| J. & W. Booth, repairing in school-houses .....                        | 12 00    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 646 58   |
| Balance against this account March 1, 1880 .....                       |          | \$141 58 |

## HIGH SCHOOL.

## RECEIPTS.

|                             |          |            |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$473 19 |            |
| Appropriation .....         | 1,650 00 |            |
|                             | <hr/>    | \$2,123 19 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| Orders outstanding March 1, 1879....                  | 292 00 |          |
| George H. Mellen, services as teacher.....            | 920 00 |          |
| Frank Parson, services as teacher .....               | 336 00 |          |
| George B. Corey, care of room and cutting wood..      | 35 86  |          |
| James A. King, for paper .....                        | 2 76   |          |
| Geo. M. Whitaker, printing monthly reports .....      | 2 25   |          |
| William C. Barnes, for book .....                     | 60     |          |
|   | <hr/>  | 1,589 47 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880 ..... |        | 533 72   |
| Orders outstanding March 1, 1880:                     |        |          |
| To George H. Mellen .....                             | 280 00 |          |
| To Frank Parson .....                                 | 144 00 |          |
|   | <hr/>  | 424 00   |



## COMMON SCHOOLS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                               |          |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879.....    | \$190 57 |          |
| Appropriation .....           | 5,660 00 |          |
| State treasurer....           | 858 18   |          |
| Bank and corporation tax..... | 2,040 68 |          |
|                               | <hr/>    | 8,749 43 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Order outstanding March 1, 1879.....   | \$44 65  |          |
| Susie E. Morse, teaching, 36 weeks.... | 432 00   |          |
| Mary A. Pratt, " 34 " .....            | 272 00   |          |
| Susie E. Knight, " 34 " .....          | 306 00   |          |
| Maria Cutting, " 34 " .....            | 272 00   |          |
| Josie A. Rice, " 35 " .....            | 315 00   |          |
| Idella M. Brewster, " 38 " ....        | 331 00   |          |
| Jennie F. Litchfield, " 24 " .....     | 216 00   |          |
| Ida M. Douty, " 38 " .....             | 380 00   |          |
| Fannie B. Freeman, " 34 " .....        | 306 00   |          |
| Mary Remington, " 34 " .....           | 272 00   |          |
| Mary Newell, " 34 " .....              | 238 00   |          |
| V. T. Wetherell, " 35 " .....          | 315 00   |          |
| A. Rebecca Rowley, " 34 " .....        | 306 00   |          |
| Nellie Booth, " 23 " .....             | 161 00   |          |
| Flora B. Allen, " 26 " ....            | 234 00   |          |
| Lizzie Douty, " 34 " ....              | 272 00   |          |
| Mary A. Hopkins, " 32                  | 265 00   |          |
| Mary Pellett, " 34 " .....             | 238 00   |          |
| Julia V. Harwood, " 36 " .....         | 432 00   |          |
| Frank Spooner, " 36 " .....            | 348 00   |          |
| Jennie McVey, " 34 " .....             | 272 00   |          |
| Nellie Vinton, " 11 " .....            | 77 00    |          |
| Clara C. Nichols, " 34 " .....         | 272 00   |          |
| E. Etta Whitford, " 34 " .....         | 272 00   |          |
| Nellie M. Walker, " 16 " .....         | 112 00   |          |
| Alice Holmes, " 34 " .....             | 238 00   |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 7,154 00 |
| F. L. Chapin, wood and sawing.....     | 78 83    |          |
| W. H. H. Cheney, wood .....            | 30 00    |          |
| Commings & Conant, wood.....           | 142 99   |          |
|  | <hr/>    |          |
| Amounts carried forward.....           | \$251 82 | 7,198 65 |

|  |        |          |            |
|--|--------|----------|------------|
| Amounts brought forward..                            |        | \$251 82 | \$7,198 65 |
| J. Whipple, wood.....                                | 7 50   |          |            |
| Horace Walker, wood.....                             | 15 00  |          |            |
| C. M. Bates, wood .....                              | 118 05 |          |            |
|  |        | -----    | 392 37     |
| Thos. Mansfield, sawing wood.....                    | 7 53   |          |            |
| R. Bouteatte, sawing wood.....                       | 1 87   |          |            |
| Lewis Morse, wood and sawing wood .....              | 17 40  |          |            |
| Samuel Bond, sawing wood.....                        | 93     |          |            |
| — Hughes, sawing wood .....                          | 1 20   |          |            |
| J. M. Geer, sawing wood.....                         | 1 13   |          |            |
| C. Lawson, sawing wood .....                         | 1 12   |          |            |
| Mrs. Kirwin, sawing wood....                         | 3 13   |          |            |
| P. LaRochelle, sawing wood.....                      | 10 31  |          |            |
| J. M. & L. D. Clemence, shavings .....               | 1 00   |          |            |
|  | -----  |          | 45 62      |
| H. Walker, cleaning Hooker school house.             | 1 25   |          |            |
| John Flood, care of River-street do                  | 60 00  |          |            |
| Geo. B. Corey, care of rooms and cutting wood....    | 74 13  |          |            |
| Marcus Dillaber, care New Village school house ..... | 16 00  |          |            |
| R. Bouteatte, care Plimpton-street school house..... | 10 00  |          |            |
| E. M. Chamberlain, care Dennison school house .....  | 13 00  |          |            |
| S. F. Freeman, care School-street school house.....  | 16 00  |          |            |
| Grammar school house...                              | 16 00  |          |            |
|  | -----  |          | 32 00      |
| Wm. Morse, care Bacon school house.....              | 10 00  |          |            |
| A. Cozzens, care Hooker school house ....            | 8 48   |          |            |
| L. W. Putney, care Sandersdale sch'l house           | 4 00   |          |            |
| Mrs. Coldrick, care River-street sch'l house         | 2 00   |          |            |
| Mary A. Hopkins, care of room .....                  | 8 00   |          |            |
| Dana Perrin, care Dennison school house.             | 4 00   |          |            |
| Mary Remington, care Ammidown school house .....     | 4 00   |          |            |
| J. H. Ryan, care Union-street school house           | 8 00   |          |            |
| C. E. Frost, care Ammidown school house.             | 5 00   |          |            |
| Roger Hickey, care Plimpton-street school house .... | 5 00   |          |            |
|  | -----  |          |            |

Amounts carried forward . \$264 86 7,636 64

|  |          |            |          |
|--|----------|------------|----------|
| Amounts brought forward..                            | \$264 86 | \$6,636 64 |          |
| Roger Hickey, sawing wood.....                       | 4 12     |            |          |
|  |          | 268 98     |          |
|  |          |            | 7,905 62 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... |          |            | \$843 81 |
| Orders outstanding March 1, 1880:                    |          |            |          |
| Flora B. Allen.....                                  |          | 72 00      |          |
| J. S. Gleason....                                    |          | 32 86      |          |
| Horace Walker:.....                                  |          | 22 50      |          |
| Nellie West.....                                     |          | 4 00       |          |
|  |          |            | \$131 36 |

## SCHOOL APPARATUS.

## RECEIPTS.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879..... | \$102 18 |
|----------------------------|----------|

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Ruth C. Thompson, 2 Vols. Zell's Cyclopedia.....   | 8 50    |
| Frank Parson, drawing cards.....   | 10 06   |
| A. J. Bartholomew, for use of transit and repairs<br>of same, used by High school scholars | 33 00   |
|  | 51 56   |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880.....                                       | \$50 62 |

## STATE AID.

## RECEIPTS.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879..... | \$598 31 |
| State treasurer.....       | 280 00   |
|                            | \$878 31 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Transferred from this account for payment of debts | \$300 00 |
| Julia Seymour, to March 1, 1880.....               | 56 00    |
| Francis McGuire and wife.....                      | 72 00    |
| Amount carried forward.                            | \$128 00 |

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Amount brought forward                               | \$128 00 |          |
| Martin Maher and wife.....                           | 78 00    |          |
| Thos. Weld and wife.....                             | 84 00    |          |
| Patrick Gleason .....                                | 8 00     |          |
|  | <hr/>    | 298 00   |
|  |          | <hr/>    |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... |          | \$280 31 |

## CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT.

### RECEIPTS.

|                           |         |          |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1880 ... | \$76 64 |          |
| Apropiation .....         | 500 00  |          |
|                           | <hr/>   | \$576 64 |

### EXPENDITURES.

|  |          |         |
|--|----------|---------|
| Edwin Bacon, labor of self, men and teams .....      | \$454 95 |         |
| J. J. Oakes, labor of men paving gutter at entrance  | 4 38     |         |
| B. T. Wells, for tulip bulbs.....                    | 26 35    |         |
| Geo. S. Stone, repairing tools .....                 | 20       |         |
| New cart body.....                                   | 8 00     |         |
|  | <hr/>    | 8 20    |
| Cummings & Conant, for cord.....                     | 40       |         |
| Putman & Davis.....                                  | 8 10     |         |
| L. Cutler, sign boards.....                          | 1 38     |         |
|  | <hr/>    | 503 76  |
|  |          | <hr/>   |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... |          | \$72 88 |

## CEMETERY PLAN.

### RECEIPTS.

|                             |          |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 ..... | \$150 00 |          |
| Appropriation .....         | 50 00    |          |
|                             | <hr/>    | \$200 00 |

### EXPENDITURES.

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Buttrick & Wheeler, for plan.... | 200 00 |
|----------------------------------|--------|

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

## RECEIPTS.

|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| Appropriation .....                       | \$1,300 00 |            |
| Balance March 1, 1879 .....               | 345 34     |            |
| Oxford, account E. Ellis .....            | 13 71      |            |
| C. A. Paige, guardian to M. O'Brien ..... | 93 00      |            |
| Produce sold .....                        | 58 56      |            |
| Cash from Daniel Smith .....              | 4 01       |            |
| Old iron sold .....                       | 50         |            |
| Estate of Lucian Green .....              | 214 05     |            |
|   | <hr/>      | \$2,029 17 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |            |        |
|---|------------|--------|
| C. B. Brainard and wife, services to Nov. 1, 1879..                   | 270 83     |        |
| George F. Northup and wife, services from Nov. 1<br>to January 1..... | 54 16      |        |
| George M. Whitaker, blank orders, envelopes and<br>notices .....      | 10 75      |        |
| Geo. C. Shepard & Co., medicines... ..                                | 5 95       |        |
| Cummings & Conant, hardware .....                                     | 11 25      |        |
| Carpenter, Irwin & Co., dry goods ....                                | 89 46      |        |
| Guy & Brothers, groceries.....  | 66 33      |        |
| Olney & Lescault, groceries .....                                     | 76 10      |        |
| Morse Brothers, groceries ... ..                                      | 108 95     |        |
| P. H. Carpenter & Co., groceries.....                                 | 89 14      |        |
| Ellis & Cook, groceries.....  | 94 38      |        |
| Thomas Potter, fish ....  | 32 01      |        |
| C. D. Paige & Co., clothing, boots and shoes.....                     | 77 75      |        |
| M. M. Marble & Co., meat .....  | 55 10      |        |
| Blanchard & Quevillon, dry goods .....                                | 25 74      |        |
| George K. Dresser, for horse.....                                     | 125 00     |        |
| For lime ....   | 12         |        |
|   | <hr/>      | 125 12 |
| Daniel Morse, shoeing oxen and repairs .....                          | 9 29       |        |
| Samuel Williams, coffins and robes.....                               | 18 75      |        |
| For cradle .....  | 1 50       |        |
|   | <hr/>      | 20 25  |
| Edwin Bacon, appraising property at farm.....                         | 4 00       |        |
|   | <hr/>      |        |
| Amount carried forward .....  | \$1,226 56 |        |

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|---|------------|
| Amount brought forward.....   | \$1,226 56 |
| George A. Dresser, appraising property at farm...                               | 2 00       |
| Liberty Reynolds, appraising property at<br>farm .....                          | 2 00       |
| One pass book .....   | 10         |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | 2 10       |
| H. T. Hyde & Co., dry goods .....   | 10 80      |
| John Comins, 1 harness.....   | 25 00      |
| Repairing harness.....  | 1 50       |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | 26 50      |
| Charles Potter, for pigs .....  | 21 00      |
| Joseph Ouimette, cart body frame .....  | 2 50       |
| Nelson Vinton, butchering.....  | 3 50       |
| Charles T. Carpenter, repairing reins ....                                      | 15         |
| Perry & Dimmick, teams to farm .....  | 4 50       |
| Leonard Cutler, teams to farm ....  | 5 00       |
| Geo. L. Winter, hardware.....   | 9 85       |
| S. P. Irwin, Jr., teams to farm.....  | 3 00       |
| expenses to Haverhill on Daniel<br>Smith case.....                              | 17 01      |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | 20 11      |
| Robert Herron, repairing mowing machine.....                                    | 9 80       |
| P. M. Clark, paint brushes, &c.....   | 3 03       |
| J. A. King, books.....  | 2 25       |
| Comstock, Perry, & Co., dry goods.....  | 23 15      |
| J. J. Oakes, dry goods.....   | 9 00       |
| G. G. Bulfinch, attending Daniel Smith.....                                     | 2 00       |
| J. M. & L. D. Clemence, lumber.....   | 1 56       |
| L. W. Curtis, medical attendance at farm April 1,<br>1878 to April 1, 1879..... | 70 00      |
| Geo. S. Stone, repairs ...  | 5 50       |
| Bugbee & Wheeler, dry goods.....  | 5 30       |
| S. Thayer, services in Daniel Smith case.....                                   | 4 50       |
| M. J. Supernant, meat.....  | 38 76      |
| Hiram Morse, for pigs ...   | 12 00      |
| Chipman & Armes, crackers....   | 3 00       |
| Chas. B. Cozzens, repairing pump.....   | 5 00       |
| Jos. Williams, hardware.....  | 7 23       |
| Judson McIntire, teams to farm .....  | 3 00       |
| W. P. Plimpton, grain.....  | 9 53       |
| Wm. Horton, fish.....   | 95         |
| Presson West, labor haying .....  | 40 00      |
|   | <hr/>      |
| Amount carried forward... ..  | \$1,590 13 |



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|--|------------|------------|
| Amount brought forward.....                          | \$1,590 13 |            |
| I. Badger, repairing shoes.....                      | 4 28       |            |
| Jas. W. Davis, 1 pair oxen.....                      | 138 00     |            |
|  |            | <hr/>      |
|  |            | \$1,732 41 |
|  |            | <hr/>      |
|  |            | 296 76     |
| Depreciation of town property.....                   | 131 63     |            |
|  |            | <hr/>      |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... | \$165 13   |            |

List of paupers at town farm February 28, 1880:

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Obadiah Sabin.....     | aged 83       |
| John Clark.....        | aged 70       |
| John Roan.....         | aged 59       |
| Thomas Powers.....     | aged 63       |
| Charles Congdon.....   | aged 33       |
| Wm. Sabin.....         | aged 25       |
| Richard Dwyer.....     | aged 23       |
| Calista Rich.....      | aged 73       |
| Margaret O'Brien.....  | aged 64       |
| Ellen Powers.....      | aged 60       |
| Bridget Foley.....     | aged 59       |
| Lucy Harding.....      | aged 45       |
| Ida Sabin.....         | aged 25       |
| Burt Sabin.....        | aged 3 1-2    |
| Maud Sabin.....        | aged 1 1-2    |
| Matthias Ryan.....     | aged 80       |
| Catherine Tynon.....   | aged 64       |
| Margaret Jennings..... | aged 41       |
| Margaret Jennings..... | aged 5 months |
| Daniel Ryan.....       | aged 57       |
| Ann Ryan.....          | aged 55       |

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Number different paupers during the year..... | 21 |
| Average number.....                           | 20 |

## OUTSIDE POOR.

## RECEIPTS.

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Balance March 1, 1879 .....                | \$51 23          |
| Appropriation .....                        | 3,200 00         |
| State Treasurer. ....                      | 12 55            |
| Henry Fiske, support of Lydia Fiske.....   | 39 00            |
| Clement Begin, account of John Parker..... | 5 00             |
|  | <hr/> \$3,307 78 |

## EXPENDITURES.

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|---|------------------|
| Bills outstanding March 1, 1879 .....             | 139 55           |
| James J. Oakes, goods and moving various parties. | 48 19            |
| J. S. Gleason, goods delivered to Jos. Reno.      | 38 00            |
| Goods for A. Martin .....                         | 19 00            |
| Goods for A. Moots .....                          | 2 00             |
| Goods for Patrick Congdon.....                    | 35 00            |
| Goods for Mrs. Boldue .....                       | 1 00             |
|   | <hr/> 95 00      |
| W. E. Alden & Co., goods for Pat. Gleason.        | 91 25            |
| Goods for D. Patino .....                         | 63 00            |
| Goods for P. Larachial .....                      | 120 00           |
| Goods for Mrs. Cross.....                         | 107 85           |
| Goods for David Bassett.....                      | 20 00            |
|   | <hr/> 402 10     |
| LeClair & Son, goods for John Reno.....           | 33 12            |
| Goods for Louis Lavallie.....                     | 77 17            |
| Goods for A. Dionne.....                          | 10 02            |
| Goods for A. Moots .....                          | 56               |
| Goods for A. Hurbert ...                          | 75               |
| Goods for L. St. Martin .....                     | 5 63             |
| Goods for Joseph Luc.....                         | 26 25            |
| Goods for D. Patino.....                          | 2 00             |
|   | <hr/> 155 50     |
| Patrick Kelly, goods for James Bown ....          | 164 44           |
| Goods for Thomas Keefe.....                       | 14 00            |
| Goods for Stephen Day .....                       | 144 03           |
| Goods for Catherine Hickey ....                   | 25 51            |
| Goods for Patrick Eagan .....                     | 96 11            |
| Goods for Mrs. Foyle .....                        | 16 00            |
| Goods for Michael Littleton ....                  | 108 96           |
| Goods for Mrs. Douglas .....                      | 35 00            |
| Goods for Mrs. Nolan.....                         | 2 00             |
|   | <hr/> 606 05     |
| Amount carried forward .....                      | <hr/> \$1,446 39 |



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| Amount brought forward.....                        | \$1,446 39 |        |
| P. H. Carpenter & Co., goods for Mrs. Peter Stone. | 156 00     |        |
| Morse Bros., goods for L. Albee, soldier aid.      | 10 00      |        |
| Goods for Jule Terrio .....                        | 12 00      |        |
| Goods for Henry Martin .....                       | 6 00       |        |
| Goods for Peter Lamotte .....                      | 3 00       |        |
| Goods for F. Scarboro.....                         | 19 00      |        |
| Goods for H. Bassett....                           | 3 00       |        |
| Goods for George Martin .                          | 141 81     |        |
| Goods for Ed. Trombley.....                        | 12 00      |        |
|  | <hr/>      | 206 81 |
| Ellis & Cook, goods delivered F. X. Cassi-         |            |        |
| vant .....   | 80 29      |        |
| Goods for Ritchie family ....                      | 14 00      |        |
| Goods for Mrs. Hogan ..                            | 6 00       |        |
| Goods for Louis Laravier.....                      | 38 00      |        |
| Goods for F. Scarboro .....                        | 35 63      |        |
| Goods for Mrs. William Hall....                    | 37 47      |        |
|  | <hr/>      | 211 39 |
| Olney & Lescault, goods delivered Esther           |            |        |
| Clark ...  | 7 25       |        |
| Goods for Mrs. Leblase .....                       | 77 00      |        |
| Goods for Mrs. Largess ...                         | 87 00      |        |
|  | <hr/>      | 171 25 |
| Guy & Bros., goods delivered F. Scarboro.          | 3 25       |        |
| Goods for Mrs. Sbea .....                          | 42 63      |        |
|  | <hr/>      | 45 88  |
| Geo. C. Shepard & Co., goods delivered Medi-       |            |        |
| cundel Rivers.....                                 |            | 6 10   |
| M. M. Marble & Co., goods deliv'd E. Rivers        | 15 00      |        |
| Goods for H. Rivers.....                           | 12 00      |        |
| Goods for F. Scarboro.....                         | 1 70       |        |
| Goods for Mrs. White.....                          | 1 00       |        |
|  | <hr/>      | 29 70  |
| C. Begin, for board of Mrs. Keough.....            | 42 00      |        |
| Fare to Troy, Mrs. Marchenay..                     | 5 00       |        |
| Board for Meagher girl. ....                       | 11 00      |        |
| Rent of A. Deon.....                               | 3 00       |        |
| Medicine for Moots child.....                      | 80         |        |
| Team to funeral Moots child ...                    | 1 00       |        |
| Rent for Mrs. Herber.....                          | 16 00      |        |
|  | <hr/>      | 78 80  |
| Amount carried forward .....                       | \$2,363 32 |        |

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|---|------------|------------|
| Amount brought forward.....                     | \$2,363 32 |            |
| City of Fitchburg, support of Hunt family       | 48 65      |            |
| Rent L. McIntire.....                           | 20 00      |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 68 65      |
| L. O. Thompson, rations for tramps.....         |            | 9 50       |
| Asylum for Chronic Insane, support Lydia Fisk.. |            | 167 66     |
| S. Thayer & Son, goods delivered Alonzo         |            |            |
| Martin .....                                    | 8 00       |            |
| Goods for Chas. Newhall.....                    | 6 00       |            |
| Goods for Mrs. Baldrick.....                    | 1 00       |            |
| Goods for A. Moots .....                        | 3 00       |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 18 00      |
| T. S. Wheelock, rent for Mrs. Cross.....        |            | 50 00      |
| Worcester Lunatic Asylum, support Cath-         |            |            |
| erine Tynan.....                                | 192 98     |            |
| Daniel Smith.....                               | 49 23      |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 242 21     |
| C. D. Paige & Co., mdse. delv'd Rooney boy      | 11 93      |            |
| Mdse. delivered Murphy.....                     | 1 68       |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 13 61      |
| Geo. A. Dresser, rent for Mrs. Herber.....      |            | 22 10      |
| J. M. Olney, for taking Mrs. Newhall to         |            |            |
| Insane hospital .....                           | 18 00      |            |
| Taking Daniel Smith to Insane                   |            |            |
| hospital .....                                  | 23 50      |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 41 50      |
| Central Mills Co., rent & wood Paul Martin      | 19 49      |            |
| Wood for Nancy Hall.....                        | 6 00       |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 25 49      |
| Bugbee & Wheeler, mdse. deliv'd Leduc..         | 3 25       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Deon.....                       | 10 71      |            |
| Mdse. delivered John Reno.....                  | 3 00       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Jos. Reno.....                  | 8 89       |            |
| Mdse. delivered C. Hickey.....                  | 8 45       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Bulgic.....                     | 1 50       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Green .....                     | 6 04       |            |
| Mdse. delivered A. Martin.....                  | 1 50       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Ryan.....                       | 6 59       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Scarboro.....                   | 4 45       |            |
| Mdse. delivered P. Benjamin...                  | 2 36       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Jas. Brown....                  | 10 66      |            |
| Mdse. delivered M. Littleton....                | 3 08       |            |
| Mdse. delivered Douglass... ..                  | 1 25       |            |
|   | <hr/>      | 71 73      |
| Amount carried forward .....                    |            | \$3,093 77 |

|  |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|
| Amount brought forward.. .. .                              | \$3,093 77 |            |
| Alex. Bebo, sawing wood for Esther Clark.....              | 2 50       |            |
| Southbridge Coal Co., coal, L. Rivers .....                | 7 00       |            |
| G. G. Bulfinch, Esther Clark.... ..                        | 2 00       |            |
| J. Brown.....  | 18 00      |            |
|  | <hr/>      | 20 00      |
| S. Dresser, rent, P. Tracy .....                           | 10 50      |            |
| Carpenter, Irwin & Co., goods for Rooney boy....           | 1 74       |            |
| Alex. Bebo, digging grave .....                            | 75         |            |
| Hamilton Woolen Co., rent, S. Day.....                     | 6 51       |            |
| S. Williams, coffin for Martin child .....                 | 3 75       |            |
| Coffin for Mrs. Stone.....                                 | 7 50       |            |
|  | <hr/>      | 11 25      |
| A. H. Shepard, moving F. Ritchie to Webster ...            | 4 00       |            |
| Town of Sturbridge, support of Mary A. Burns...            | 8 69       |            |
| Peter Dumas, rent, A. Deon.....                            | 2 00       |            |
| L. W. Curtis, milk to Herber family.....                   | 4 73       |            |
| Edward Riopel, moving Baldie family... ..                  | 15 00      |            |
| Leon Cadotte, rent, L. Rivers.....                         | 6 00       |            |
| Comstock, Perry & Co., boots, Scarboro.....                | 4 50       |            |
| E. S. Ellis, coal, Louis Laravier.....                     | 3 75       |            |
| J. & W. Booth, coffin, J. Luc.....                         | 8 00       |            |
| A Moots child.....   | 3 00       |            |
| Frank Patino.....  | 10 00      |            |
|  | <hr/>      | 21 00      |
| B. W. Paton, medicine by order Dr. Curtis.....             | 6 00       |            |
| Wm. Edwards' Sons, coal for Scarboro.....                  | 5 75       |            |
| S. P. Irwin, Jr., p'd for sawing wood, Esther Clark        | 3 00       |            |
| C. M. Bates, wood for Esther Clark.....                    | 8 43       |            |
| Daniel Whitford, wood for Mrs. Stone.....                  | 3 60       |            |
| H. D. Edwards, wood for Nancy Hall.....                    | 4 00       |            |
| S. K. Edwards, rent, Martin family .....                   | 10 00      |            |
| G. H. Hartwell, medicine for Wm. Hall .....                | 70         |            |
| Mrs. Ann Lyon, board Mrs. Meagher....                      | 5 00       |            |
| Francis Rivers, wood for A. Donne .....                    | 2 50       |            |
| Southbridge Brick Co., wood for Esther Clark ...           | 6 75       |            |
| Leon Cadotte, rent, Henry Rivers .....                     | 6 00       |            |
| City of Springfield, board for R. E. Dwyer                 | 4 50       |            |
| Tramp to Charlton .....                                    | 1 15       |            |
|  | <hr/>      | 5 65       |
|  | <hr/>      | \$3,280 04 |
| Order overdrawn (the money was returned to treasurer since | 27 74      |            |
| the account was closed) .....                              | 10 00      |            |
|  | <hr/>      | \$17 74    |

Bills outstanding to this account March 1, 1880:

|                                |         |          |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|
| LeClair & Son.....             | \$67 31 |          |
| Patrick Kelly.....             | 93 50   |          |
| W. E. Alden & Co.....          | 72 56   |          |
| Bugbee & Wheeler.....          | 85 70   |          |
| J. S. Gleason .....            | 260 50  |          |
| Olney & Lescault .....         | 30 00   |          |
| Guy & Bros .....               | 28 00   |          |
| Dresser Manufacturing Co ..... | 48 00   |          |
|                                | <hr/>   | \$685 57 |

## RIVER STREET SIDEWALK.

### RECEIPTS.

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Geo. A. Dresser assessment..... | \$74 18 |
|---------------------------------|---------|

### EXPENDITURES.

|  |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|
| Balance against this account March 1, 1879.....      | 23 14   |         |
| Order outstanding, Chas. Hyde & Co .....             | 21 13   |         |
|  | <hr/>   | \$44 27 |
| Balance to credit of this account March 1, 1880..... | \$29 91 |         |

## BILLS OUTSTANDING.

### Salaries:

|                           |          |          |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Charles E. Cady .....     | \$150 00 |          |
| Elisha M. Phillips ... .. | 130 00   |          |
|                           | <hr/>    | \$280 00 |

### Fire department:

|                         |      |
|-------------------------|------|
| Jesse W. Robinson ..... | 1 50 |
|-------------------------|------|

### Contingent account:

|                      |       |       |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Lorenzo Morton ..... | 50 00 |       |
| James F. Parker .... | 35 00 |       |
|                      | <hr/> | 85 00 |

### High school:

|                        |        |        |
|------------------------|--------|--------|
| George H. Mellen ..... | 280 00 |        |
| Frank Parson .....     | 144 00 |        |
|                        | <hr/>  | 424 00 |

### Common schools:

|                         |       |        |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|
| Flora B. Allen ....     | 72 00 |        |
| Julius S. Gleason ..... | 32 86 |        |
| Horace Walker .....     | 22 50 |        |
| Nellie West .....       | 4 00  |        |
| George H. Thayer .....  | 14 75 |        |
| Joseph M. Olney .....   | 5 75  |        |
| Morse Brothers .....    | 28 94 |        |
|                         | <hr/> | 180 80 |

### Sidewalk account:

|                         |      |
|-------------------------|------|
| Sylvester Dresser ..... | 1 35 |
|-------------------------|------|

### Cemetery account:

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| Samuel Williams ..... | 6 50 |
|-----------------------|------|

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|------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Amount carried forward ..... | <hr/> | \$979 15 |
|                              |       | 12       |

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Amount brought forward.. .. . | \$979 15   |
| Outside poor:                 |            |
| LeClair & Son.....            | \$67 31    |
| Patrick Kelly.....            | 93 50      |
| W. E. Alden & Co.....         | 72 56      |
| Bugbee & Wheeler.....         | 85 70      |
| J. S. Gleason.....            | 260 50     |
| Olney & Lescault.....         | 30 00      |
| Guy & Bros.....               | 28 00      |
| Dresser Manufacturing Co..... | 48 00      |
|                               | <hr/>      |
|                               | \$685 57   |
|                               | <hr/>      |
|                               | \$1,664 72 |

In addition to the above, and since it was in type, the selectmen have given the auditors the following outstanding claims and appended statements:

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Highways:                     |          |
| Henry Walker.....             | \$185 71 |
| C. W. Weld.....               | 35 60    |
| Chas. Hyde & Co., teams ..... | 20 65    |
|                               | <hr/>    |
|                               | \$241 96 |
| Sidewalk account:             |          |
| Stone & Hiscox.....           | 121 52   |
| Verney Fisk .....             | 35 00    |
| Lamson & Woodbury .....       | 20 96    |
| G. H. Hartwell.....           | 35 00    |
|                               | <hr/>    |
|                               | 212 48   |
|                               | <hr/>    |
|                               | \$454 44 |

The item of \$121.52 is for curbing on Dresser street; \$91.56 has been paid by Mr. Chapin and credited to this account—see auditors' report. This leaves \$29.56 due from Mr. Fellows. The \$35.00 due Mr. Fisk is for setting the curb; the bill due Mr. Hartwell is for 82 loads of stone which are now under the plank walk opposite Catholic church.

The bill of \$185.71 is for work done in October and November in District No. 6, including the repairs near residence of Joe. Longsway; \$35.60 for extra work; \$20.65 for use of Chas. Hyde & Co.'s teams on Dresser street. There is also a bill of \$70.00 due F. L. Chapin, trustee, for gravel used on Dresser street and Marcy street sidewalks.



# VALUATIONS.

## VALUATION OF THE TOWN FOR 1879.

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Value of real estate.....                      | \$2,031,434 00 |
| Value of personal estate . . . . .             | \$75,027 00    |
| <hr/>  |                |
| Total, real and personal.....                  | 2,906,461 00   |
| Total number of polls . . . . .                | 1,410          |
| Total tax for State, county and town . . . . . | 33,494 07      |
| Rate of taxation per \$1000 . . . . .          | 10 60          |

## VALUATION OF CENTER WATCH DISTRICT.

|                                       |                |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Value of real estate....              | \$693,760 00   |
| Value of personal estate . . . . .    | 311,574 00     |
| <hr/>                                 |                |
| Total within limits of district.....  | \$1,005,334 00 |
| Amount raised by taxation.....        | 700 00         |
| Rate of taxation per \$1000 . . . . . | 70             |

## ABSTRACT OF INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT TOWN FARM.

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Class 1. Live stock . . . . .                             | \$585 00 |
| 2. Hay and grain. . . . .                                 | 223 30   |
| 3. Carts, wagons, harness and other farming<br>tools..... | 249 00   |
| 4 Household furniture . . . . .                           | 126 46   |
| 5. Beds and bedding . . . . .                             | 100 00   |
| 6. Family supplies . . . . .                              | 91 37    |
| <hr/>   |          |
|   | 1,375 13 |
| <hr/>   |          |
| Decrease from 1879 . . . . .                              | \$131 63 |

GEO. A. DRESSER,  
EDWIN BACON,  
LIBERTY REYNOLDS,  
*Appraisers.*

February 28, 1880.

# CASH RECEIVED

by the SELECTMEN for the year ending February 28, 1880, and paid  
into the town treasury.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Town of Oxford, support of E. Ellis . . . . .                | \$13 71 |
| Lewis O. Thompson, lock-up fees . . . . .                    | 8 50    |
| Ebenezer Edmonds, balance of sidewalk assessment . . . . .   | 23      |
| Edwin B. Cummings, street cleaning . . . . .                 | 2 00    |
| Bryant's Minstrels, license . . . . .                        | 2 00    |
| Good Samaritans, use of town hall . . . . .                  | 16 00   |
| Coup's circus, license . . . . .                             | 15 00   |
| Ladies of Congregational society, use of town hall . . . . . | 2 00    |
| — Gleason, walking match license . . . . .                   | 2 00    |
| Joseph M. Olney, lock-up fees . . . . .                      | 4 50    |
| Solomon and George H. Thayer, lock-up fees . . . . .         | 7 50    |
| Frank E. Parker, lock-up fees . . . . .                      | 2 50    |
| Charles S. Edmonds, labor on South street . . . . .          | 46 58   |
| William Edwards, old bricks . . . . .                        | 3 00    |
| Daniel R. Perry, sidewalk assessment . . . . .               | 68 57   |
| George A. Dresser, sidewalk assessment . . . . .             | 74 18   |
| George H. Hartwell, sidewalk assessment . . . . .            | 147 48  |
| George Whitford, sidewalk assessment . . . . .               | 40 70   |
| Samuel Williams, sidewalk assessment . . . . .               | 99 66   |
| William Butler, sidewalk assessment . . . . .                | 38 40   |
| Hamilton Woolen company, sidewalk assessment . . . . .       | 253 91  |
| William E. Alden, sidewalk assessment . . . . .              | 133 24  |
| Albert McKinstry, sidewalk assessment . . . . .              | 57 25   |
| Daniel F. Newell, sidewalk assessment . . . . .              | 166 53  |
| Frederic Crosby's estate, assessment . . . . .               | 23 96   |
| Samuel L. Morse, use of town hall . . . . .                  | 2 00    |
| James A. King, labor of man on South street . . . . .        | 2 50    |
| S. Walker & Co., naphtha and barrels . . . . .               | 12 99   |
| H. D. West, labor of man on South street . . . . .           | 62      |
| H. D. West, curbing . . . . .                                | 11 90   |
| James J. Oakes, sidewalk material . . . . .                  | 10 12   |
| Stephen K. Edwards, sidewalk material . . . . .              | 7 70    |
| Charles W. Weld, labor of man and team . . . . .             | 14 00   |
| William E. Alden, old plank . . . . .                        | 1 25    |
| Francis L. Chapin, curbing . . . . .                         | 85 80   |
| John O. McKinstry, sidewalk labor . . . . .                  | 4 50    |
| Lucian W. Curtis, sidewalk labor and curbing . . . . .       | 14 62   |

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\$1,397 40

# APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

| Accounts.                | Appropriations<br>and receipts. | Expenditures. | Unexpended. | Outstanding. | Deficiency paid<br>and unpaid. | Appropriations<br>recommended. |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Bridges.....             | \$201 25                        | \$199 17      | \$2 08      | .....        | .....                          | \$200 00                       |
| Cemetery improvement.... | 576 64                          | 503 76        | 72 88       | .....        | .....                          | 600 90                         |
| Cemetery plan.....       | 200 00                          | 200 00        | .....       | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| Cemetery fund.....       | .....                           | .....         | .....       | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| Contingent.....          | 608 58                          | 634 66        | .....       | 50 00        | \$76 08                        | 5 0 00                         |
| Common schools.....      | 8,749 43                        | 7,935 62      | 834 81      | 131 36       | .....                          | *5,400 00                      |
| Contingent schools.....  | 505 00                          | 646 58        | 141 58      | .....        | .....                          | 650 00                         |
| Decoration day.....      | 58 86                           | 58 86         | .....       | .....        | .....                          | 100 00                         |
| Engine men.....          | 2,264 00                        | 2,240 00      | 24 00       | .....        | .....                          | 2,216 00                       |
| Fire department.....     | 860 70                          | 721 83        | 138 87      | 1 50         | .....                          | 800 00                         |
| High school.....         | 2,123 19                        | 1,589 47      | 533 72      | 424 00       | .....                          | 1,700 00                       |
| Highways.....            | 3,025 45                        | 3,016 53      | 8 92        | .....        | .....                          | 3,500 00                       |
| Insurance.....           | 116 19                          | 105 92        | 10 27       | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| Interest.....            | 1,566 21                        | 1,716 16      | .....       | 149 95       | 149 95                         | 1,700 00                       |
| Police station.....      | 198 00                          | 223 71        | .....       | .....        | 25 71                          | 175 00                         |
| Printing.....            | 250 00                          | 247 47        | 2 53        | .....        | .....                          | 250 00                         |
| Public library.....      | 1,777 41                        | 1,619 73      | 157 68      | .....        | .....                          | 1,300 00                       |
| Railing highways.....    | 72 29                           | 86 47         | .....       | .....        | 14 18                          | and Doz fu'd                   |
| Salaries.....            | 1,582 43                        | 1,364 11      | 218 32      | 150 00       | .....                          | 1,400 00                       |
| School apparatus.....    | 102 18                          | 51 56         | 50 62       | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| Sidewalks.....           | 544 71                          | 456 48        | 88 23       | .....        | .....                          | 200 00                         |
| do Marcy street.....     | 998 64                          | 1,337 91      | .....       | 19 25        | 320 02                         | .....                          |
| do Main st. fr. Pleasant | 617 35                          | 675 03        | .....       | .....        | 57 68                          | .....                          |
| do Main & Pleasant st.   | 893 21                          | 971 91        | .....       | .....        | 78 60                          | .....                          |
| do Mill street.....      | 258 66                          | 129 56        | 129 10      | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| State aid.....           | 878 31                          | 598 00        | 280 31      | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| Street lights.....       | 1,175 12                        | 1,134 05      | 41 07       | .....        | .....                          | 1,400 00                       |
| Streets—Edwards.....     | 1,500 00                        | 1,499 52      | 48          | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| do Sayles.....           | 520 75                          | 507 91        | 12 84       | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| do South.....            | 3,503 12                        | 3,500 65      | 2 47        | .....        | .....                          | .....                          |
| Support of poor.....     | 2,029 17                        | †1,864 04     | .....       | .....        | .....                          | 1,500 00                       |
| Outside poor.....        | 3,307 78                        | 3,280 04      | 17 74       | 685 57       | 667 83                         | 3,500 00                       |

† Including \$131.63 depreciation of town property at farm.

\*In addition to the Bank and Corporation Tax.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. MORSE,  
CHAS. W. JOHNSON, } AUDITORS  
P. W. DUFFY,

March 1, 1880.



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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
School Committee  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE.

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# REPORT.

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The School Committee are glad to report another year of prosperity in the schools of the town. The difficulties that have been spoken of from year to year have not disappeared from our school registers; yet in some schools there has been marked improvement. Irregularity in attendance is still one of the greatest obstacles in the way of the earnest teacher's work. We would that we could so impress every parent with the importance of the regular attendance of their children, that the registers of the coming year might show that the parents appreciate the importance of the suggestion, and thereby not only encourage the teachers and committee but secure for their children the education which it seems to us lies within their reach. Your committee would recommend a more intimate relation between parents and teachers in our schools. It is only as teachers are sustained by the sympathy and active help of parents that they can do the best school work. If the homes of the scholars are indifferent or unfriendly to the teacher all their efforts are crippled. While, on the other hand, if the teachers have friendly and mutually sympathetic relations with the parents their power in the school-room is increased many fold. Sometimes the failure to establish such relations as we have mentioned is the fault of the teachers, but wherever the fault lies the result is always disastrous. If there exists be-

tween parent and teacher indifference or suspicion, instead of friendship and confidence, then we may expect no good results from our schools. If both parties could realize that they are working for the same great end, there would perhaps be greater harmony between them. Every parent and every true teacher is earnestly laboring for the highest good of the children. The means necessary for attaining the result may be in dispute, but let us always be willing to accord to the teacher honesty of motive unless there be proof to the contrary. We wish to urge again the importance of visiting the school-room oftener. Get better acquainted with our school system, and with those who are trying to carry that system into effect. It is only by combined action on the part of all concerned that our schools can be brought up to that grade of excellence which they ought to occupy. Your committee invite inspection, both of method, instruction and of their practical application in the schools. We welcome candid criticism from whatever quarter it may come, but we continue to decry that spirit of captious fault-finding which is so prevalent in some quarters, and which only serves to make things worse instead of better.

Our constant aim is to give the boys and girls in our schools such instruction as will fit them to "act well their parts" in the great drama of life. That some mistakes have been made—that some are being made—we do not deny; but as far as in us lies we are striving to develop a system of public instruction which will raise the standard of future manhood and womanhood in our town. Our teachers are instructed to direct their efforts toward developing thought in the pupils. A mere knowledge of text-book language—a mere familiarity with facts—does not satisfy the demands of our method; our pupils must learn principles; they must learn to reason—to find out the why and wherefore of their work. To know simply that a thing is so does not satisfy the desire of any thorough student. Our aim is to supply him with the reason why. This is effected by our plan of oral instruction, which has been adopted in all of our schools for many years. This plan has met with large

success already, and with the increasing facility of our teachers we may still expect to reap greater advantages from it. We deprecate the fact that so small a percentage of our pupils reach the grammar and high schools. We are convinced that the parents who unnecessarily take their children from school before they complete the full course of study offered by the town, do them a great wrong. They are depriving them of that which more than anything else could make them honored and valuable citizens. Let parents take this into consideration and send their children more and more to fill the ranks of our higher schools. Especially would we be glad to welcome more children of foreign parentage to the higher grades. These schools are wholly unsectarian. Morality in its highest forms is inculcated, but no religious doctrines are allowed to intrude.

Arrangements have recently been made to give our schools greater privileges in the use of the public library. This we hail as a step in the right direction. All the educational institutions of our town should be in harmony. We cannot establish too close a relation between them. We in conclusion ask each citizen to give his earnest effort in making our school system a success. Poor schools will never raise the tone of intellect or of morality among us. Only good schools will do this. We heartily recommend to your continued patronage and support our system of public instruction.

During the past year a new intermediate school has been formed, and for want of room elsewhere it has been held in the town hall. The constant interruptions and the unsuitableness of the room make it necessary for us to ask the town to provide suitable rooms. Your committee would recommend the erection of a suitable building centrally located, say near the residence of J. J. Oakes, and then consolidate the grammar and intermediate schools in this building. This will relieve the schools in the center for many years, beside materially reducing the expenses of these grades. If it should be found that some of the buildings now occupied for schools would not be needed they could be disposed of very readily without any loss to the

town. It is hoped that the town will give this matter an early consideration. It is an encouraging feature that there is a demand for more schools of the higher grades. Heretofore the demand has been wholly for provisions for primary schools.

# SCHOOLS.

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## HIGH SCHOOL.

Never have the results of the high school been more satisfactory than the past year. The average of the monthly written examinations is very much higher than last year. We desire to speak in commendation of the efforts of teachers and scholars in bringing about so desirable a result. Thoroughness of instruction in every department is the prominent feature of this school. The pupils seem to have a practical knowledge of the text-book, and are able to give a full and clear explanation of it. We would also speak of the general deportment of the school as being excellent. It gives us great pleasure to recommend the teachers to the continued confidence of the patrons of this school.

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## GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The same teachers have been in charge this year—Miss Julia V. Harwood in the School-street and Miss Susie E. Morse in the Main-street. These schools are more nearly of the same grade than they have been for many years. The teachers have labored faithfully to raise the standard in this important grade of schools. The closing examination was highly satisfactory, showing clearly that the aim had been to make the scholars understand what they had been over. The committee feel confident that the candidates for admission to the high



school will make a better record than any of former years, thus showing that these teachers are not satisfied with the past attainment of their classes, but are determined to elevate their schools from year to year.

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## INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.

The Main-street intermediate has suffered from the change of teachers and the irregularity of attendance of the scholars. The Main-street grammar and this school show the greatest irregularity in this regard of any school in the town. Parents forget that it is wholly impossible for those who attend but part of the time to keep pace with those who remain in school during the entire session. Miss Iola M. Converse resigned at the close of last year, and a new teacher was employed to take charge of the school; but the system of teaching being entirely new not as good results have been realized as would have been could Miss Converse have been retained. Miss Ida Douty has taught two terms in the School-street intermediate with her usual success. The last nine weeks she has been teaching in the Main-street intermediate, and will no doubt bring this school up to the grade of the School-street intermediate. Miss Hopkins succeeded Miss Douty, and at the close of the school good results were shown from her efforts. The River-street intermediate was taught during the entire year by Mr. Frank Spooner. Mr. Spooner possesses a rare tact for imparting knowledge to his pupils. The only criticism the committee would make is that the school did not have the good order desirable; therefore much of the good instruction given was lost. The last term showed a decided improvement. The class at the town hall, under the direction of Miss Jennie F. Litchfield, made good progress. At the commencement of the school year this school will be given three classes and will be constituted an intermediate grade.



## PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

The Carpenter school has had the same teachers as last year—Miss Nellie Booth in No. 1 and Miss Jennie McVey in No. 2. Each of these schools have made good progress, and by continued effort will rank with other schools of same grade.

Main-street primary No. 1, taught by Mrs. Susie M. Knight, has fully sustained its reputation as a good school. The necessity of taking out from this school the first class during the middle of the school year made it more discouraging for the teacher, and yet we found at the close of the year that she had a class ready for promotion.

Miss Josie A. Rice, teacher in No. 2, has had the grade of her school somewhat lowered by retaining the intermediate class in her school. The success of the last two terms has been the result of great effort on the part of this earnest teacher.

Elm-street No. 1.—Miss Mary Pellett has brought this school to occupy a good position as compared with other schools of this grade. In some recitations her pupils excelled. All were satisfactory to the committee. No. 2, taught by Miss Mary Pratt. The order in her school is always attractive. She has a very quiet way of securing it. There is no doubt but this school will take a position with the other two primaries. Miss Pratt has resigned, to take charge of a school where she gets better pay. It is to be regretted that we are not able to retain her services longer.

Union-street No. 1—taught by Miss Maria Cutting, has made good progress. This school is one of our largest primaries, and Miss Cutting succeeds admirably in this school. No. 2, taught by Miss Jennie Freeman, is a good school. The committee were pleased with the order and general interest manifested by the pupils in the exercises at the closing examination.

River-street primary No. 1—Miss Mary Newell, teacher. Miss Newell fully sustains the anticipation of the committee in their report of the school last year. No. 2, Miss Lizzie

Douty, teacher. Miss Douty is a good, faithful teacher. No. 3, in charge of Miss Flora B. Allen, has made good progress.

Plimpton-street primary is still taught by Miss Alice Holmes. This school has made commendable advancement.

School-street No. 1, taught by Miss Etta Whitford. Miss Whitford has a very easy way of maintaining good order and has the respect of her pupils. No. 2—It seemed to the committee that Miss Rowley had labored faithfully, and as a reward may have the satisfaction of knowing that her school ranks the highest of any of that grade in town.

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## MIXED SCHOOLS.

Bacon—taught by Miss Nellie Walker. This school was continued only two terms, fall and winter. This we do to accommodate the farmers, whose children attend only during the winter months.

Ammidown.—This school, under the direction of Miss Mary Remington, has attained a good standing. No school in town has so good a register. The scholars are very regular in attendance and seem delighted to do all in their power to assist in making the school a success.

Sumner.—Miss Mary A. Hopkins has taught two terms in this school and Miss Idella M. Brewster the last term. This school is doing well.

Dennison.—Mr. V. T. Wetherell still continues as teacher in this school. Mr. Wetherell has fully sustained his former reputation as a good and faithful teacher.

Hooker.—Miss Clara C. Nichols still continues in this school. All the classes appeared well at the close of the term. Some of the scholars showed clearly that they had made good use of the time and had adopted the motto, "Labor conquers all things."

## D R A W I N G .

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This branch of instruction has been in charge of the regular teachers, under the supervision of the assistant of the high school. In the primaries the work has been on the whole satisfactory, but very uneven. The schools under Mrs. Knights, Misses Rice, Pratt, Freeman, McVey, Whitford and Allen must be mentioned with special praise as having done good work and a great deal of it. Some of the freehand and original designing in the first three named is remarkable. The intermediates have sustained a good reputation and displayed some talent of a high order. The grammar schools have far outdone their past in average quality and work. The fine shading in the center school is particularly noteworthy. In the high school drawing has been optional. Some very fine shading has been done, and good progress is being made by a few in oil coloring. In nearly every school some artistic genius may be found. It is to be sincerely hoped that some of the highly gifted in our upper schools may take a higher course of art instruction, and develop their splendid talent with the energy that is necessary to every great success.

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| Number of children in town May 1, 1879, as per census..... | 1,068 |
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|---|---------|
| Whole number of different scholars.....                   | 1,326   |
| Average number....  | 1,035   |
| " attendance .....  | 840     |
| " number per school....                                   | 40      |
| " attendance .....  | 34      |
| " percent of attendance.....                              | 87      |
| Number of scholars over 15 years....                      | 63      |
| " " " under 5 .....                                       | 10      |
| " " " between 8 and 14.....                               | 717     |
| " " different teachers..                                  | 28      |
| " " male .....  | 4       |
| " " female .....  | 24      |
| Salary of teacher in high school.....                     | \$1,200 |
| " " assistant " " " per week.....                         | \$12 00 |
| Average pay of teachers per week, except high school..... | \$8 60  |

# TABULAR VIEW OF SCHOOLS.

| SCHOOLS.                           | No. of different scholars. | Average number. | Average attendance. | Average percent of attendance. | No. weeks of school. |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| High school.....                   | 46                         | 37.66           | 32.33               | 86                             | 40                   |
| Main-street grammar.....           | 28                         | 22              | 19.54               | 88                             | 36                   |
| School-street grammar.....         | 41                         | 38              | 36                  | 95                             | 36                   |
| Main-street intermediate.....      | 58                         | 36.7            | 29                  | 80                             | 38                   |
| School-street intermediate.....    | 63                         | 47              | 40                  | 85                             | 36                   |
| River-street intermediate.....     | 66                         | 45              | 38.7                | 86                             | 36                   |
| Town hall intermediate.....        | 46                         | 34              | 30                  | 88                             | 36                   |
| Main-street primary No. 2.....     | 42                         | 34              | 31.5                | 92                             | 35                   |
| School-street primary No. 2.....   | 46                         | 35.5            | 32                  | 90                             | 34                   |
| Union-street primary No. 2.....    | 36                         | 31              | 24                  | 80                             | 34                   |
| Elm-street primary No. 2.....      | 40                         | 30              | 27                  | 90                             | 34                   |
| Plimpton-street primary No. 2..... | 36                         | 31              | 26                  | 85                             | 34                   |
| Carpenter primary No. 2....        | 41                         | 35              | 28                  | 80                             | 35                   |
| River-street primary No. 3.....    | 47                         | 38              | 33                  | 87                             | 34                   |
| River-street primary No. 2.....    | 43                         | 37              | 32                  | 87                             | 34                   |
| River-street primary No. 1.....    | 83                         | 56              | 50                  | 90                             | 34                   |
| Main-street primary No. 1.....     | 68                         | 59              | 50                  | 84                             | 34                   |
| School-street primary No. 1....    | 81                         | 54              | 46                  | 85                             | 34                   |
| Union-street primary No. 1.....    | 87                         | 54              | 40                  | 74                             | 34                   |
| Elm-street primary No. 1.....      | 70                         | 43              | 41                  | 95                             | 34                   |
| Carpenter primary No. 1.....       | 68                         | 40              | 34                  | 85                             | 34                   |
| Dennison school.....               | 41                         | 35.5            | 31                  | 90                             | 35                   |
| Hooker school.....                 | 16                         | 12.25           | 11.5                | 94                             | 34                   |
| Ammidown school.....               | 49                         | 34              | 33                  | 97                             | 34                   |
| Sumner school.....                 | 68                         | 46              | 37                  | 80                             | 34                   |
| Bacon school.....                  | 16                         | 9.85            | 8.08                | 92                             | 17                   |
| For all the schools.....           | 1,326                      | 1,035           | 840                 | 87                             | 890                  |
| Average per school.....            | 51                         | 40              | 34                  | 87                             | 34.23                |





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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
Library Committee.  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE.

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# REPORT.

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The Library Committee respectfully present their tenth annual report for the year ending March 29, 1880.

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

### RECEIPTS.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Balance in treasury, March 1, 1879.....                           | \$266 77   |
| Appropriation for printing.....                                   | 100 00     |
| Regular appropriation.....  | 1,000 00   |
| Dog fund, 1878.....   | 323 25     |
| Received by librarian fines, catalogues, etc., per her account... | 77 04      |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | \$1,767 06 |

### EXPENDITURES.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Paid Lee & Shepard and others, for books and periodicals, for paper for covering and for binding. .... | 597 24     |
| A. J. Comins, librarian, for services and expenses paid by her.....                                    | 660 20     |
| Mutual Gas Light Co., gas for 1 year.....  | 123 09     |
| Carpenter, Irwin & Co., and others, wood and coal.   | 41 76      |
| P. M. Clarke, painting, etc.,.....   | 30 09      |
| Alfred Mudge & Son, printing supplement to catalogue .....   | 117 00     |
| A. J. Comins, labor on the same....  | 40 00      |
|  | <hr/>      |
|  | \$1,609 38 |
| Balance unexpended.....  | <hr/>      |
|  | \$157 68   |

## BOOK ACCOUNT.

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Balance to debit of this account last year..... | \$121 41 |
| Expended during the year.....                   | 597 24   |
|   | <hr/>    |
|   | \$718 65 |
| Appropriation .....                             | 700 00   |
|   | <hr/>    |
| Debit balance.....                              | \$18 65  |

## BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS.

|                                       | Volumes. | Pamphlets. |
|---------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Number last year.....                 | 7,407    | 2,368      |
| Added by purchase.....                | 226      | 2          |
| gifts .....                           | 27       | 17         |
| commonwealth.....                     | 10       | ....       |
| town officers.....                    | 7        | 1          |
| departments at Washington.....        | 2        | 11         |
| magazines bound.....                  | 31       | ...        |
|                                       | <hr/>    | <hr/>      |
|                                       | 7,710    | 2,399      |
| Withdrawn from circulation .....      | 12       | ....       |
|                                       | <hr/>    | <hr/>      |
| Number in library March 1, 1880. .... | 7,698    | 2,399      |

## DONORS AND GIFTS.

|  | Volumes. | Pamphlets. |
|--|----------|------------|
| Mrs. Lydia W. Litchfield.....            | 8        | ....       |
| J. M. Cochran, Esq. ....                 | 7        | ....       |
| Hon. W. W. Rice.....                     | 5        | ....       |
| Dr. Paine, Oxford.....                   | 1        | ....       |
| Sampson, Davenport & Co., Boston.....    | 1        | ....       |
| Mr. E. M. Phillips.....                  | 1        | ....       |
| Rev. J. E. Fullerton, Laconia, N. H..... | 1        | ....       |
| Rev. Geo. A. Jackson, Swampscott.....    | 1        | ....       |
| Mr. F. W. Bacon.....                     | 1        | ....       |
| Miss H. N. Chase.....                    | 1        | ....       |
| Harry C. Winter.....                     | ....     | 2          |
| Holmes Ammidown, Esq.....                | ....     | 1          |
| Dr. S. C. Hartwell.....                  | ....     | 1          |
| Hon. Clarke Jillson.....                 | ....     | 1          |
| Boston Public Library.....               | ....     | 5          |
| Concord " " .....                        | ....     | 1          |
| Worcester " " .....                      | ....     | 1          |
| Fall River " " .....                     | ....     | 1          |

|   | Volumes. | Pamphlets. |
|---|----------|------------|
| Winchester Public Library .....             | ....     | 1          |
| American Library Association.....           | ....     | 1          |
| Mercantile Library, San Francisco, Cal..... | . . .    | 1          |

*For the Reading Room.*

Hon. W. W. Rice—Official Gazette of U. S. Patent Office.

Edward H. Ammidown, Esq.—Boston Commercial Bulletin, 1879-80.

Charles Gigault—Editor and proprietor, Le Bien Public, 1879.

J. M. Cheney—Semi-Weekly Tribune, 1880.

*For the Museum.*

Mrs. E. S. Swift—Sample of cloth made from the inner bark of a tree brought from Altoci, one of the Sandwich Islands.

Holmes Ammidown, Esq.—A piece of the coffin of Isaiah Thomas, in which his body reposed for 60 years.

A map of St. Augustine, Fla., 1788.

Stereoscopic views in do.

Samples of corn, grown in Champaign County, Ill.

A large landscape painting of Globe Village, painted by Francis Alexander in 1822, of great historical value, has been presented by the widow of the late Edwin D. Plimpton, Esq., of Brooklyn, N. Y. Also a fine engraving, by Mr. Bernard A. Leonard, of Abraham Lincoln, the "Martyr President." These pictures have been placed where the visitors of the library and reading-room may study them, and from the former note the wonderful changes made in the town during the last two generations. From the latter gather inspiration and courage, as they realize what was accomplished by the "great emancipator" under unfavorable circumstances, who, by untiring industry, patient study, and always maintaining simple honesty and virtue, rose from humble beginnings to the highest station in the gift of a great nation, known and honored in all lands.

Besides the services of the librarian and her assistants, who have very moderate remuneration, a great amount of gratuitous labor has to be rendered by some of the members of the committee to keep the library and reading-room in good running condition. It would seem that the true interest in this institution should lead to the selection of such persons for Trustees as, from their engagements, may be enabled, and from their real favor of it, led, to give prompt, continuous and intelligent aid.

The committee, at their first meeting for organization, held April 14, 1879, realizing the value of the wise counsel and warm interest unremittingly manifested by S. M. Lane, Esq., for the institution from its beginning, unanimously constituted him an honorary life member of the committee. He was cordially invited to be present at all meetings of the committee, to take part in their deliberations, and to continue that department of library work upon which he had been so long engaged. He has continued the numerical catalogue, which contains, gratuitously written by him, in addition to other labors, a list of all the books in the library.

The first Library Committee chosen organized March 3,



1870. By purchase and gift 1117 volumes were gathered, and the issue of books commenced Feb. 4, 1871. In November of that year a catalogue was printed, containing a list of 2690 volumes. July 1, 1872, a supplement of 28 pages was added, and Oct. 1, 1873, another of 58 pages, which brought the number up to more than 4000 volumes. In the beginning of the year 1876 the number reached 6000 volumes, and during that year the large and comely catalogue, enumerating 6376 volumes, now in use, was completed. The additions have made it necessary to issue a supplement, and during the past year a supplement has been prepared which contains a list of 1274 volumes. It has been printed by Alfred Mudge & Son of Boston, and, like the catalogue which they also printed, has met the unanimous approval of the committee and, so far as we know, the friends of the library. The whole number of books circulated have been 129,594 to 2291 persons, with a loss of only four volumes—two in 1872 and two in 1875.

To facilitate the use of the library in the schools, provision has been made that each teacher in our public schools, above the primary grade, be allowed to draw books to the number of five, to be used in the school as aids to instruction, not to be kept longer than four weeks, the teacher to be responsible for them. The fines and penalties to be the same as in other cases.

At the annual examination of the library on the 20th of February, it was found, to the credit of the librarian, Miss A. J. Comins, and her assistants, Miss Myra B. Martin and Miss Julia S. Smith, that all the charges on the register were correct, and as the librarian states in her report, which is appended hereto, every book "account for."

To defray the expenses for the ensuing year we recommend the appropriation of \$1300 and the dog fund of 1879.

Respectfully submitted by the Library Committee.

MANNING LEONARD,

*Secretary.*

*Public Library, March 6, 1880.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

In preparing this, my seventh annual report, and the tenth of the library, there seems nothing new in importance or interest to mention. To say there is a growing appreciation of the advantages of the institution is only a repetition of what has been each year remarked, and which is the natural result of the education which comes from a right use of means. To an occasional visitor there may seem little change in the attitude of the patrons towards the institution, but to one who has been constantly a worker and observer, the change during seven years is not small or unimportant.

The greatest care and respect, as well as the greater intelligence with which books are used, is no small part of the change, and is not only a gratifying but promising feature to mark. The first year of the opening of the reading room it was often without readers, and seldom, even during an evening, filled. Now it is seldom without occupants, and often a room twice the size would be filled. The first year a strict vigilance was needed to maintain such order and quiet as would render the room inviting to persons desiring to read. Now it is only at rare intervals conduct not decorous or commendable is noticed. We feel much credit is due to those who daily frequent this room, for their efforts in the way of example in securing and maintaining the order and quiet with which we are favored.

The museum is not devoid of interest to the people, and we judge is becoming appreciated for its means of instruction. One of the teachers of our public schools has, with her pupils, spent a half day there, and we have had during the last six months 358 visitors. Other items of interest might be stated, all proving what is universally known to be true—wherever there are opportunities for improvement there we find progress.

From the library we have issued during the year 14,559 volumes. Through the summer months the average daily issue was 42; through the winter months 57; for the year the average daily

issue has been 48. We have had 768 different accounts, and of these 148 were new accounts, making from the opening of the library 2,291. At the yearly examination, Feb. 20, it was found all the books were accounted for—one only had been lost, and that was at the burning of Dr. West's house, and has been paid for.

The sectional record shows there have been issued of

|  | Vols.        | Percent.     |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Works of fiction, - - - - -                  | 6,291        | 43.2         |
| Juvenile works, - - - - -                    | 3,678        | 25.2         |
| Historical, - - - - -                        | 564          | 3.9          |
| Biographical, - - - - -                      | 633          | 4.4          |
| Travels and description, - - - - -           | 805          | 5.5          |
| Poetical and dramatic, - - - - -             | 419          | 2.8          |
| Scientific and educational, - - - - -        | 365          | 2.5          |
| Literary and esthetical, - - - - -           | 546          | 3.1          |
| Religious and philosophical, - - - - -       | 158          | 1.1          |
| Complete works, - - - - -                    | 90           | 6            |
| Miscellaneous works, - - - - -               | 416          | 2.91         |
| Magazines and reviews, - - - - -             | 556          | 3.91         |
| Agricultural, - - - - -                      | 100          | 62           |
| Law books (reserved), - - - - -              |              |              |
| Public documents of Massachusetts, - - - - - | 12           | .08          |
| Public documents of United States, - - - - - | 9            | .06          |
| Reserved section, - - - - -                  | 17           | .12          |
|  | <hr/> 14,559 | <hr/> 100.00 |

The amount received has been for

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Fines, - - - - -  | \$50 13       |
| Cards, - - - - -  | 9 02          |
| Catalogues, - - - - -   | 13 25         |
| Waste paper, - - - - -  | 84            |
| Dr. West, for book lost at fire, - - - - -  | 80            |
| Moses Hemingway of Charlton, for privilege<br>of taking books one year, - - - - - | 3 00          |
|   | <hr/> \$77 04 |

The amount paid has been for

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Express and freight, - - - - -                | \$8 80 |
| Postage, - - - - -                            | 4 69   |
| Ink, - - - - -                                | 62     |
| Stationery, - - - - -                         | 5 65   |
| Adhesive paper for repairing books, - - - - - | 3 25   |
| Blank book, - - - - -                         | 30     |

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |         |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Pen rack,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 25      |
| Pens, pencils and brushes,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 14    |
| Two pamphlets,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 35      |
| Rule,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 15      |
| Rubber bands,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 50      |
| Brass flat heads,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18      |
| Mucilage and glue,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 50    |
| Twine,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 48      |
| Brooms and dust pan,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 84      |
| Insect powder for moths in museum,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18      |
| Disinfectent,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 40      |
| Repairs,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 10    |
| Labor,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 75      |
| Cleaning,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20 51   |
| Mr. Williams, for chair.  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 00    |
| Mr. Hobbs, for labor and material,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 25    |
| Cummings & Conant, for repairing and cleaning stoves and pipes and<br>for charcoal, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 71    |
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|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | \$60 20 |

This amount, with my salary, \$600, has been paid me by the town treasurer.

A. JEANNETTE COMINS, Librarian.

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ANNUAL REPORT  
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SELECTMEN  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE.

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# REPORT.

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We herewith respectfully submit a report of the transactions in the various departments under our charge during the past year. We may have made some mistakes in the management of the details of the various interests committed to our care ; but in all cases it has been our aim to labor faithfully and according to our best judgment for the highest interests of the town. For complete details of cost and expenditures we refer you to the Auditors' report.

## HIGHWAYS.

In accordance with the vote of the town at the annual meeting in April, we advertised in the Southbridge Journal for proposals for repairing the roads, and received the following : District No. 1, \$475 ; No. 2, \$200 ; No. 3, 500 ; No. 5, \$200. No satisfactory offers having been received for the balance of the districts they were repaired by day work. The contract districts cost \$1375, and districts done by the day \$1258.27, making the cost of highways proper \$2733.27. This amount includes what is due from the town on labor performed. The balance of the highway account is made up from \$315 overlayings and building a culvert across Hamilton street from the foot of Union street, also one on Marcy street extension from

Main street near the residence of A. J. Bartholomew, and extra work on Dresser street.

The work in the districts under contract has been performed, so far as we are able to judge, in a satisfactory manner, and the highways seem to be in as good a condition as is usual at this season of the year. The districts that were worked out by the day have been under the direction of Andrew J. Clark, Harrison Harwood, Chauncy Brown, J. H. Mason and Henry Walker, who have given good satisfaction.

In District No. 1 the whole of North street has been graveled, averaging about 15 inches deep at the crown. Our attention had been called to this street on account of its muddy condition, nothing having been done to it since it was built, and also from the fact that Messrs. J. M. & L. D. Clemence offered the gravel delivered in carts if the town would take it away. This generous offer was of course accepted and the contractor distributed about 600 loads on the above street. We mention this instance to counteract any feeling that we gave this piece of highway more than its share of attention.

The piece of road near the residence of Jos. Longeway had worn down until the traveled way was lower than the roadside, consequently it was wet and muddy most of the time. It was repaired late last fall by dumping in stones until the center of the road was raised to grade, then filling on top with such material as could be found in that section. It is now a very dry road at all seasons. This work necessitated a large part of the bills outstanding against this account. As stones are plenty and cheap it would permanently improve a very poor piece of road, if the balance of the way as far as "Morse spring" could be fixed in the same manner. This is particularly desirable on account of the large amount of travel that comes over the road from Eastford, Ashford and the Woodstocks.

The appropriation for repairing Sayles street was worked out under the direction of the Highway Surveyor to the very best advantage, and the result is very satisfactory to the resi-

dents of that locality, who were entitled to some relief from the steep grade that existed on that street.

In the repairs of our highways we labor under some disadvantage in the lateness of our annual meeting. For instance, last year the meeting was held April 7. The town voted to repair the roads by contract. On account of the time necessarily consumed in advertising for proposals and awarding contracts it was very near the first of May before work was commenced, when to have been done to advantage it should have been begun as early as the last of March, for our best road makers agree that the earlier in the spring we can get to work on our highways the better.

We have tried to give all the roads in town their equal share of attention. There is not much doubt but a good many improvements might be made in them, but we have endeavored to give you as good roads as possible and keep somewhere near the appropriation.

We recommend the sum of \$3,500 for the ensuing year.

#### EDWARDS STREET.

This is a street called for upon the petition of James D. Green, Samuel Williams, Piny T. Litchfield and others, and laid out by the County Commissioners, who awarded the damages and ordered the building of the road. At a meeting held to raise the money for defraying the expense an offer was made by Messrs. William Edwards' Sons to construct the same for \$667, which included paving gutter and setting 600 feet of curbing; and after the board had advertised in the Journal three weeks for other proposals, and no lower offer having been received, the contract was made with them, and by them the work was performed to the entire satisfaction of the County Commissioners.

## SOUTH STREET.

This terrible ghost, which has haunted us for the last ten years, we have this year actually encountered and successfully laid; and the very many thousands of dollars which rumor claimed, above what has been actually expended in prosecution of the work, can be carried to the score of difference between theory and practice.

The history of this enterprise is so fresh in the memory of all that it is not necessary to enter into details here, but we certainly may be permitted to express our satisfaction that the enemies of this project were covered with confusion and suffered the cruel fate of annihilation in their efforts to defeat the same. Remembering that the hour of victory is the time for magnanimity, we gladly pass to the more agreeable duty of thanking the voters of the town who so decidedly expressed, by an overwhelming vote, their confidence in the rectitude of our intention in the initiatory steps we took in this enterprise, and who also continued the direction of the work in our hands to its completion. We trust our management of the work has been such as will meet your approval; and it is with feelings of honest pride that we invite comparison with any work of like character that has been done by the town. We are gratified that, as a result of our efforts, we are able to give the public, not a contracted 34-foot cart path, but a street 45 feet, worked every inch of the width and no ragged edges at the limits, but instead grassy banks and trim stone walls greet and please the eye—another mark of the enterprise and usual good taste of our citizens in such matters. This will terminate the suspense so long endured by residents along the route in regard to boundaries and grade, and has already had the effect to attract capital from abroad to locate on its line, and thus assist to promote the growth of the town. The roadway could be much improved if the town would see fit to give it a coating of gravel through the center of the entire



traveled way, and also upon a portion of the sidewalks for the better accommodation of foot travel. We would recommend an appropriation sufficient for this purpose.

Let it be borne in mind that, through the uncalled-for opposition and agitation of this matter, considerable extra expense has been entailed upon the town in way of useless engineering and extra work to satisfy abutters, which had been uncalled for previously; it also incited abutters to make exorbitant claims for damage, which they would never have thought of, and while, with the exception of two instances, no party has any valid claim, it may cost the town something to defend suits and show the mistaken the error of their ways.

### SIDEWALKS.

According to the vote of the town we have built and established this year the following walks: Marcy-street sidewalk from Main street to residence of William Butler; from engine house No. 2 on Main to Pleasant street, and on that to Canal street; from the corner of Pleasant street on Main street to Otis Upham's west line; on Mill street from Mill-street bridge to Main street. All of these walks have been constructed in a first-class manner with stone curbing and concrete.

We have completed the walk on the east side of Chapin street, begun last year, and established the same from the south line of George W. Corey to Dresser street, about 220 feet, with stone curbing and brick walk.

There has been built, by consent of the board of Selectmen, a walk on north side of Edwards street from Main street to C. L. Dean's line, about 300 feet, and as the expense was paid by the abutter we trust this public benefit will be appreciated, as it is the first instance of the kind on record.

The old plank walk on Hamilton street has been a constant source of expense as usual in way of repairs, especially that part opposite St. Mary's church. It is not in a condition to

meet the possible strain that may be brought to bear upon it, and in spite of ordinary care may precipitate an accident that may cause serious damage and consequent expense to the town. We advise its removal and a permanent walk substituted in its place that shall preclude the possibility of danger or damage.

On Dresser street we have set about 250 feet of curbing furnished by abutters, but have established no walk.

There has been constantly increasing demand, for a number of years, for a sidewalk on Main street over the hill, to better facilitate communication between the two villages. That cannot much longer be denied, as its reasonableness is patent to all, and we hope the town will see fit, when it appropriates any money for such purposes, to provide for laying it out on our main thoroughfares, where the *many* may be benefited, in preference to side streets for the convenience of the few.

We desire to call to the notice of the town to the fact that all sidewalks constructed by this board for the last three years have been completely established by our reporting the same to the Town Clerk for record on the books of the town as required by the By-Laws. As this has never been done by our predecessors in office, today the only legally established walks in town against which any penalty for non-compliance with the By-Laws could be enforced, are those so reported by us.

#### STREET CROSSINGS.

We have constructed crossings as follows: Two on Main street, one on Hamilton street, one on Pleasant street and one on Canal street.

#### STREET LIGHTS.

During the present year we have made some important changes in this department, to which attention is called. Im-



mediately after the annual meeting the gas company being aware that they were not receiving sufficient compensation for the amount of gas furnished, it being impractical to register what each light actually consumes, they objected to continuing at old rates and asked for an increase of pay. After due consideration we agreed with them for the sum of \$450 per year, being an advance of about \$2.00 each for the 33 posts furnished. That will cause a deficiency in the account for about this amount to April 1st next.

In October we found a new set of lamps were needed for the naphtha lights, which would cost \$25.00. At this time the United States Street-lighting Co. made us a proposition to attach their fixtures for making gas from gasoline to our lanterns and to operate them until spring at a small expense over the cost of using naphtha, for the purpose of giving us an opportunity to have an actual test of their system of street lighting. To save the expense of new lamps we readily accepted their proposition, having confidence in it, as the system is not a new or untried thing, it having superseded naphtha and sometimes gas in nearly all of the cities and large towns of the State, and has been under consideration before by us and former boards, and was not adopted on account of its costing more than provided for by the appropriation for this department; now the low price of gasoline makes it possible to compete successfully against naphtha in cost, and completely distances it in quantity and quality of light furnished. Accordingly the company have been operating 66 lights since October to our entire satisfaction and the unqualified approbation of the general public, as we have taken occasion to learn; we therefore recommend the town to continue the contract with this company for the coming year.

We would suggest in regard to lamp posts, in view of the high price of iron ones which now cost about \$15.00, the feasibility of using wood—either chestnut or cedar, which can be obtained for \$2.00, and are used in many larger places than ours. Lanterns now cost \$6.00 each.

## ESTIMATES.

The following are the estimates submitted by the Selectmen, after conference with the boards in charge of the different departments, as the sums necessary to be raised for the expenses of the fiscal year 1880 :

|   |                                       |             |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Highways .....  | \$3,500 00                            |             |
| Bridges .....   | 200 00                                |             |
| Sidewalks .....   | 200 00                                |             |
| Printing.....   | 250 00                                |             |
| Police station....  | 175 00                                |             |
| Salaries .....  | 1,400 00                              |             |
| Street lights.....  | 1,400 00                              |             |
| Outside poor .....  | 3,500 00                              |             |
| Support of poor .....   | 1,500 00                              |             |
| Interest .....  | 1,700 00                              |             |
| Public library....  | Dog fund and 1,300 00                 |             |
| Contingent .....  | 500 00                                |             |
| Payment of debts.....   | 10,900 00                             |             |
| Fire department contingent .....                                  | 800 00                                |             |
| Payment of engine men.....  | 2,216 00                              |             |
| High school .....   | 1,700 00                              |             |
| Common schools.....   | Bank and corporation tax and 5,400 00 |             |
| Contingent schools.....   | 650 00                                |             |
| State and county tax.....   | 5,000 00                              |             |
| Discount on taxes .....   | 4,500 00                              |             |
| Abatement of taxes.....   | 1,000 00                              |             |
| Cemetery improvement .....  | 600 00                                |             |
|   | <hr/>                                 | 48,391 00   |
| Available from unappropriated funds towards payment of debts..... |                                       | 500 00      |
|   | <hr/>                                 | \$47,891 00 |

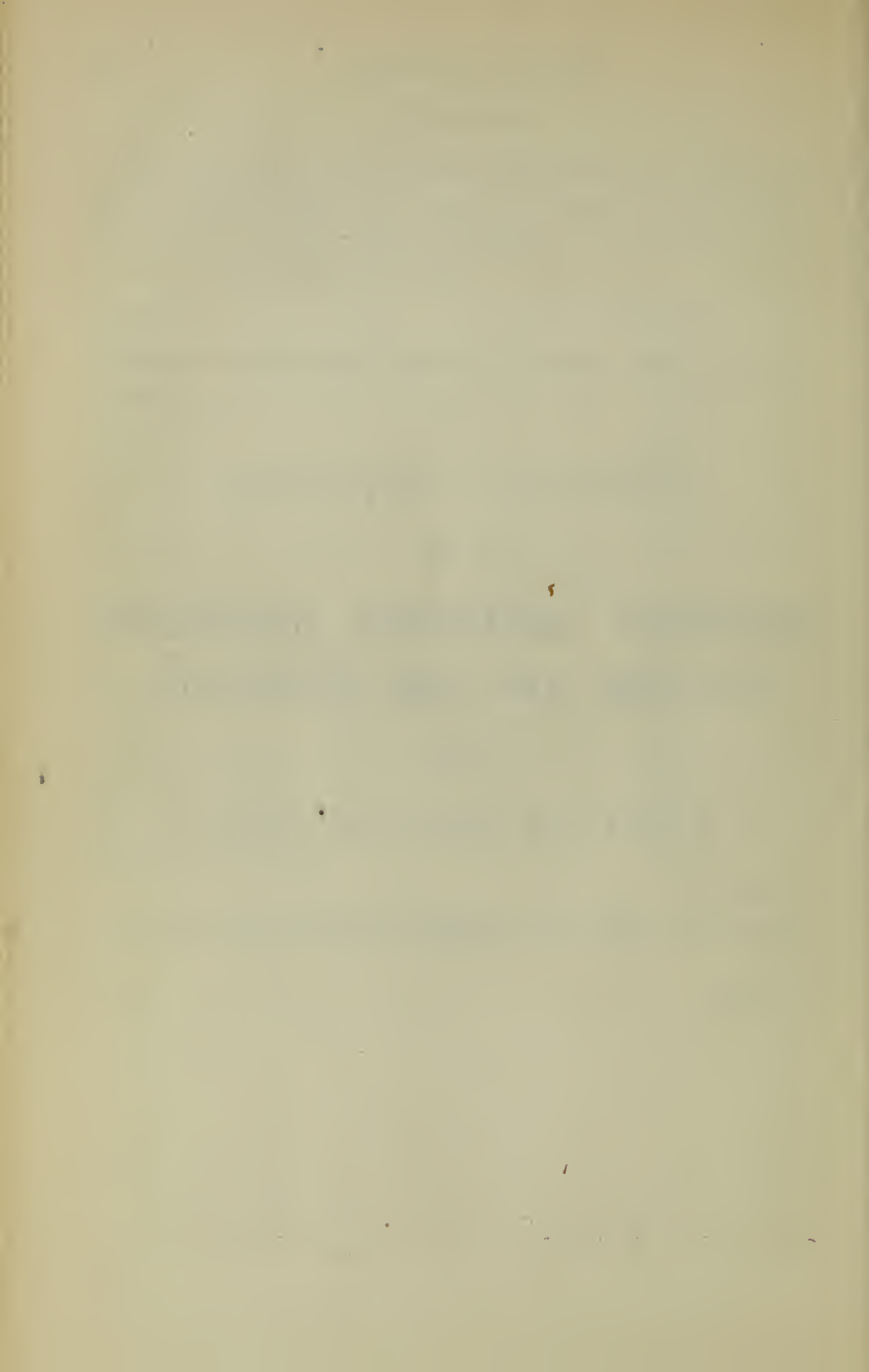
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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
CEMETERY COMMITTEE, OVERSEERS  
OF POOR, AND FIRE ENGINEERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE.

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## REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

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The cemetery committee renew their previous recommendation to the town in regard to the prosecution of the work of improving the cemetery grounds. Much has been done during the year past to improve the appearance of the avenues and lots already laid out, at little expense comparatively, and labor should be continued from year to year.

Attention is called to the great change made at the entrance on Main street by the owners of the lots principally, by grading the ground upon the westerly side of the walk. A similar work should be done on the easterly side by the owners of the burial lots in the same way. These lots, as indeed all in the old yard, can not be graded without the consent of their owners ; nor can it be done with so little cost as by such owners uniting and doing the work themselves. The curbings, fences and shrubs should be removed, the wild bushes, grasses and weeds destroyed and a smooth lawn substituted for what now is observed there—greatly disfiguring its appearance. We urge upon the persons who are interested in that part of the cemetery the propriety of securing, by their united co-operation and labor, this improvement as a sure method of preserving its beauty for all future time, because in caring for the grounds the committee will ever after attend to the duty of keeping it smooth and clean. The situation there upon the main street of our village is an especial reason why such persons should engage in this work as soon as may be.

During the year past \$411 have been received from the sale of lots as a contribution to the fund to be used for the benefit of the cemetery, and quite a number of lots have been selected but not yet conveyed or paid for. It is safe to calculate that the annual receipts from the sales of lots will not fall short of \$400 ; and thereby the fund properly invested, as provided in the by-laws, will soon yield a sufficient sum to pay the annual cost of the improvements necessary

to be made and the expense of taking care of the grounds, in pursuance of the general plan adopted by the town. But in the mean time it should be cared for by expending a small sum each year.

The walls have not yet been all removed, nor have all commenced been completed; and those which should be built on the west side of Ammidown avenue, as required by the deed, have not been commenced. This work should and must be done. Then there should be gates constructed for the entrances upon the grounds through the Ammidown and Everett street avenues, to prevent the use of the avenues in the cemetery for general travel. Carriages and loaded teams now pass that way through the cemetery to save distance only, and nothing but stationing a guard at these points will stop it. The sand and gravel banks in the cemetery, with the present easy access thereto, are inviting constant invasions upon the grounds and much of these materials has been removed during the past year by night or in so secret a manner that no one could trace it. This can be stopped only by providing means of closing up the grounds instead of leaving them open as now.

There should also be a hearse house built near the Everett street entrance, of sufficient capacity to store the tools and property of the town used there, as well as the hearse, instead of using the tomb for a store-house, as is now done. For the purpose of enabling your committee to do something upon this needed work, your committee recommend the appropriation of \$600 for cemetery improvements.

We suggest to the voters of the town also the plan of organizing a club of a number who on a certain day in the spring and fall will procure and set out around the ground, and at points upon it where trees can be placed without injury to the lay-out, maple and elm shade trees, until the grounds are properly provided for. This would add greatly to its beauty and would soon supply all that would be required; and the persons doing it will find it no real burden, as a half day in digging trees and a half day in setting out would be all the time necessary for any one person to consume in doing his part of the work. The trees should be small but carefully selected, and thus more could be annually set out, with much better results finally than if large ones were procured. Your committee would be glad to aid in organizing a club for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted by

A. J. BARTHOLOMEW, Chairman.



## REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

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The Overseers of the Poor, in submitting their report, are fully aware that the cost of maintaining the poor of the town for the past year has been large ; but our showing is made much larger than it otherwise would have been from the fact that we have had to pay nearly \$650 of last year's bills which were not included in the last report, and have brought up our accounts to March 1 and report all that is outstanding.

Under the present system of supporting the outside poor we see no reason why that account will not continue to increase. We would recommend enlarging the almshouse building to such an extent that it will give accommodation to at least seventy-five persons, and have in addition suitable rooms prepared for the insane poor that are now supported at the asylum in Worcester. Your board have no hesitation in saying that a large proportion of the outside poor and what constitutes the insane paupers could be supported at less than one-half the expense now being paid if suitable rooms had been provided for them at the almshouse.

Mr. George F. Northup and wife have charge of the farm and have given perfect satisfaction. They succeeded Mr. C. B. Brainard and wife, who resigned on account of ill health.

We recommend \$3500 for the support of outside poor and \$1500 for the support of poor at farm. Should the voters of the town deem it advisable to enlarge the almshouse a much smaller sum would be sufficient for the support of outside poor.

## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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*Gentlemen:* The board of Fire Engineers desire to submit this their annual report of the fire department.

The force of the department consists of the board of Engineers, (composed of the Chief and two Assistants), one hundred and ten men, including the company officers, besides thirteen horses and seven drivers—all subject to act on call. The apparatus belonging to this department is in good working order. The engine-houses are in good repair. No extensive repairs have been made during the year except to slate the roof of engine-house No. 2, on Main street. The fire wells and reservoirs are in good order and no expense has accrued from them during the past year. Much praise is due the Hamilton street fire well, from the fact that it is the most reliable body of water which we have, and had it not been for this supply at the fire June 10, 1879, at Dr. H. D. West's residence on Main street, the department would have been unable to save any part of his beautiful mansion.

The only repairs made on apparatus the past year, to speak of, have been engine No. 1, which, from an unknown cause, was obliged to have a new bed-plate.

The gross amount of property belonging to this department is \$34,728.32.

We report having a well-organized and efficient fire department, with a well-selected and more efficient body of young men than we have ever enlisted into this department before.

The department still labors under the same disadvantage as all previous years in not having a system of fire alarm whereby

quicker time could be made and add much to the efficiency of the department.

The people of the town must not be unmindful of the fact that the strain put upon their fire apparatus, to force water from one thousand to fifteen hundred feet to extinguish fires, is fast destroying the engines and hose belonging to the town. There should be more reservoirs, and an outlay to that end now would result in saving money to the town.

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## FIRES

In the town of Southbridge, from March 1, 1879 to March 30, 1880:

May 26, 1879, 10 o'clock A. M. Wooden tenement house, owned by Mrs. D. N. Bartlett and occupied by herself and others. Cause, defective chimney. Department reported in good time. No service required.

June 10, 1879, 6:30 P. M. Wooden dwelling house and stable of Dr. H. D. West on Main street. Loss on stable and contents, \$1,635. Loss on house and furniture, \$2,800. Amount of insurance on house and stable, \$5,800; amount paid, \$2,800. Cause, struck by lightning. Companies reported, Engines No.'s 1, 2, 6 and 7, Hook and Ladder No.'s 1 and 2.

November 5, 1879, 1:45 A. M. Wooden tenement house of Hamilton Woolen company on Cross street. Loss, \$850. No insurance. Cause, defective flue. Engine No.'s 2, 6 and 7 and Hook and Ladder No.'s 1 and 2.

February 9, 1880, 10:15 A. M. Wooden tenement house of Sylvester Dresser on Charlton road. Cause unknown. Loss, \$75. Insured. Engine No.'s 1 and 7 and Hook and Ladder No. 1 in service; Engines No.'s 2 and 6 and Hook and Ladder No. 2 ordered back to house as they were not needed.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. CLARKE, } Board of  
WM. C. BARNES, }  
P. J. WHELAN, } Fire Engineers.

*Southbridge, March 30, 1880.*



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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TAX COLLECTOR  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE,  
AND  
Warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

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# UNPAID TAXES.

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|---------------------|--------|--------------------|------|
| Angell Nathan       | \$2 00 | Brown Felix        | 2 00 |
| Albee Linus         | 2 00   | Busha Leonard      | 2 00 |
| Anglum James        | 2 00   | Brenner Hermar     | 2 00 |
| Abbott Joseph       | 2 00   | Busha Alfred       | 2 00 |
| Angreu Charles      | 2 00   | Bassett Napoleon   | 2 00 |
| Akey Cyrille        | 2 00   | Brown Charles      | 2 00 |
| Akey Joseph         | 2 00   | Brother John       | 2 00 |
| Airlie John         | 2 00   | Bisson Oliver      | 2 00 |
| Bebo Alexander      | 2 00   | Bassett Moses      | 2 00 |
| Bebo Charles        | 2 00   | Cheney R. W.       | 2 00 |
| Bruso Luke          | 2 00   | Clarke Ebenezer    | 2 00 |
| Bowker John W.      | 2 00   | Clark Frank J.     | 2 00 |
| Belford Alfred      | 2 00   | Conlen Patrick     | 2 00 |
| Buchan John         | 13 66  | Cutter Theophilus  | 2 00 |
| Bebo Louis          | 2 00   | Cassian Patrick    | 2 00 |
| Bebo Joseph         | 2 00   | Cozzens Charles B. | 2 00 |
| Blanchette Flavia   | 2 00   | Clemence D. D.     | 2 00 |
| Bassett Henry       | 2 00   | Corcoran Rodger    | 2 00 |
| Burlingame Alanson  | 2 00   | Cooper Benjamin    | 2 00 |
| Barrett A. H.       | 2 00   | Cutter Napoleon    | 2 00 |
| Burke John          | 2 00   | Cutter Joseph      | 2 00 |
| Bauteate Richard    | 2 00   | Coran Carmille     | 2 00 |
| Burke Michael       | 2 00   | Casavant John      | 2 00 |
| Brunelle Henry      | 2 00   | Coldrake Thomas    | 2 00 |
| Bebo Peter          | 2 00   | Collity Michael    | 2 00 |
| Burns Thomas A.     | 2 00   | Chassa Gilbert     | 2 00 |
| Brine Alfred        | 2 00   | Cain Charles       | 2 00 |
| Bure John R.        | 2 00   | Cuskie Alfred      | 2 00 |
| Brooks Louis        | 2 00   | Charbeneau Aremem  | 2 00 |
| Brooks John         | 2 00   | Cooper James       | 2 00 |
| Busha David         | 2 00   | Capestra Joseph    | 2 00 |
| Bennett Daniel      | 2 00   | Chassa Moses       | 2 00 |
| Brown Henry         | 2 00   | Coulthurst Ithiel  | 2 00 |
| Bayley Henry        | 2 00   | Cantara Levi       | 2 00 |
| Bresette Louis      | 2 00   | Callahan Patrick   | 2 00 |
| Bartlett Joseph     | 2 00   | Caton Martin       | 2 00 |
| Bagley Peter        | 2 00   | Callahan Thomas    | 2 00 |
| Breckenstaff Thomas | 2 00   | Collet Joseph      | 2 00 |
| Brown Vernon        | 2 00   | Clark Peter        | 2 00 |
| Bacon Frank         | 2 00   | Cuplet Dennis      | 2 00 |
| Barry Louis         | 2 00   | Cuplet Oliver      | 2 00 |
| Brunelle Enos       | 2 00   | Conier Peter       | 2 00 |
| Buchan James        | 2 00   | Caughlan Thomas    | 2 00 |
| Buchan John Jr.     | 2 00   | Caswell Frank      | 2 00 |
| Belford Alfred      | 2 00   | Curtin Joseph      | 2 00 |

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| Carter Nelson     | 2 00 | Garrigan John P.   | 2 00  |
| Cabana Jesse      | 2 00 | Gaudette John      | 2 00  |
| Capestra Morris   | 2 00 | Gerew John         | 2 21  |
| Conway Edwin O.   | 2 00 | Green John Jr.     | 2 00  |
| Cagen John B.     | 2 00 | Geer John W.       | 2 00  |
| Cullen John       | 2 00 | Godu Peter         | 2 00  |
| Cook George       | 2 00 | Gordrow Louis      | 2 00  |
| Denat Oliver      | 2 00 | Gomo Jacob         | 2 00  |
| Dumas Daniel      | 2 00 | Golet Joseph       | 2 00  |
| Deslauries Edward | 2 00 | Gaudette Peter     | 2 00  |
| Denny Peter       | 2 00 | Green William      | 2 00  |
| Ducat Joseph      | 2 00 | Geinar Battes      | 2 00  |
| Degreaney Andrew  | 2 00 | Gilbert Daniel     | 2 00  |
| Ducat Peter       | 3 33 | Ganion Maxim       | 2 00  |
| Dupre Albert      | 2 00 | Giroux Napoleon    | 2 00  |
| Dion Joseph       | 2 00 | Horrigan Patrick   | 2 00  |
| Dion Joseph Jr.   | 2 00 | Heald John         | 2 00  |
| Davis Hagar       | 2 00 | Hetue Joseph       | 2 00  |
| Dinsmore A. E.    | 2 00 | Hemingway Judson   | 2 00  |
| Duplace Francis   | 2 00 | Holmes Henry A.    | 2 00  |
| Dolally Patrick   | 2 00 | Hall W. L. D.      | 2 00  |
| Dino Michael      | 2 00 | Holmes Fred L.     | 2 00  |
| Degreaney Mark    | 2 00 | Hanly John         | 2 00  |
| Danar Stephen     | 2 00 | Hetue Elezeaz      | 2 00  |
| Dennie Stephen    | 2 00 | Holly John         | 2 00  |
| Duclair David     | 2 00 | Holden Daniel      | 2 00  |
| Ducette Battes    | 2 00 | Hall Charles       | 2 00  |
| Derange George    | 2 00 | Hayes Edwin        | 2 00  |
| Dupaul Leon       | 2 00 | Harwood William H. | 2 00  |
| Dupa Albert       | 2 00 | Hetue Louis        | 2 00  |
| Demarse Austin    | 2 00 | Hemphill William   | 2 00  |
| Edwards Edwin     | 2 00 | Johnson Jerome     | 2 00  |
| Ellis John A.     | 2 00 | Junior Gilbert     | 2 00  |
| Eccleston William | 2 00 | Jackson Charles W. | 2 00  |
| Fanoff Fabin      | 2 00 | Kennedy Patrick    | 2 00  |
| Foley John        | 2 00 | Kinney John        | 2 00  |
| French S. C.      | 2 00 | Keefe John         | 2 00  |
| Foley Mark        | 2 00 | Kavanaugh Martin   | 2 00  |
| Furo Charles      | 2 00 | Kavanaugh James    | 2 00  |
| Fanoff John       | 2 00 | Kimball C. W.      | 2 00  |
| Farland Antoine   | 2 00 | King Patrick       | 2 00  |
| Fetix Peter       | 2 00 | Kaskie Joseph      | 2 00  |
| Foote Fred        | 2 00 | Kies T. D.         | 2 00  |
| Foye John         | 2 00 | Keaugh John        | 2 00  |
| Fisher Charles    | 2 00 | Lamont Delphis     | 2 00  |
| Fogal Andrew      | 2 00 | Longsway Joseph    | 16 84 |
| Farran Amos       | 2 00 | Alex Levalley      | 2 00  |
| Franklin James    | 2 00 | John Levalley      | 2 00  |
| Gomo John Jr.     | 2 00 | Loveally Louis     | 4 12  |
| Green Bartley     | 3 59 | Longsway Peter     | 2 00  |
| Ganian Peter      | 2 00 | Largess David      | 4 26  |
| Goodeau Joseph    | 2 00 | Littleton Michael  | 2 00  |
| Ganian Peter      | 2 00 | Longsway Alexander | 2 00  |
| Ganion Louis      | 2 00 | Laflamme Flavius   | 2 00  |
| Goodrow Octave    | 2 00 | Loveally Cyrille   | 2 00  |
| Gadu Misail       | 2 00 | Loveally Frank     | 2 00  |
| Greenup John      | 2 00 | Lamont Peter Jr.   | 2 00  |
| Gouans David      | 2 00 | Laboute Francis    | 2 00  |
| Gregory Thomas J. | 8 36 | Lucia Golos        | 2 00  |
| Galena Joseph     | 2 00 | Loveally Nelson    | 2 00  |

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| Lavou Thansant       | 2 00 | McKenna John        | 2 00  |
| Lamreaux Godfrey     | 2 00 | Moore Robert        | 2 00  |
| Larosche John        | 2 00 | Morrissey James     | 2 00  |
| Lamont Henry         | 2 00 | Middleton William   | 2 00  |
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# WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING, 1880.

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables of the town of Southbridge. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Southbridge, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall in Southbridge, on Monday, the fifth day of April next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year. The following officers to be voted for on one ballot: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, Assessors, School Committee, Library Committee, Cemetery Committee, Auditors, Constables. Polls to be kept open until 3 o'clock p. m.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the reports of the Auditors of Accounts, Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Fire Engineers, School, Library and Cemetery Committees, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will allow the usual discount on taxes excepting the taxes assessed on polls, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will authorize their Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will authorize the Collector to use the means for collecting the taxes which the Town Treasurer, when appointed a Collector, may use, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 7. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges the ensuing year, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 8. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town bills and charges the ensuing year, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as posted and presented by the Selectmen, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to pay the engine men for the ensuing year, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate such a sum of money as may be necessary to pay firemen, or act thereon.



ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to grade and complete South street, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk on the westerly side of Marcy street, extending from the northeast corner of the estate of Dr. H. D. West to Hamilton street, raise and appropriate money therefor, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk on Everett street, and raise and appropriate money for building the same.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to become a subscriber to the Southbridge Telephone Exchange.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the Selectmen laying out a town way over land of J. J. Oakes, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to defray the expense of a suitable observance of Decoration day, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 18. To see what action the town will take in regard to improving the road at Columbian Village, to raise and appropriate money therefor, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to rebuild the sidewalk opposite to the St. Mary's (Catholic) church, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to make special repairs of the highway between the residence of Joseph Longsway and Andrew H. Morse, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to lay out and construct a new town way from South street to Collier street or Water street, by the residence of Samuel Greenwood, to raise and appropriate money therefor, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will put the wall and fence on the west side of Pleasant street, on the line from the barn of J. O. McKinsty to the northeast corner of yard of L. W. Curtis, raise and appropriate money for the same, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will refund to L. W. Curtis \$49.15 for laying walk on Pleasant street, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to buy an acre of ground for the gravel thereon for use on the highways in district No. 4, raise and appropriate money therefor, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to purchase lamp-posts and lanterns as follows: 1 to be placed near the residence of H. J. Conant, 1 at the corner of Dresser and



Chapin streets, 1 near George W. Wells' residence, 1 each near the residence of H.T. Hyde and George W. Corey, 2 on Pine street, 20 from Columbian Village to Sandersdale, 1 lantern and bracket for Hook street, 1 lantern for South street; also, lamp-posts and lanterns as follows: 1 on corner of Winter and South street, 2 on Winter, 1 on corner of Winter and School, 1 on corner of Water and School, 1 on corner of Collier and School, 1 on Main street west of iron bridge, 1 on corner of Mill and Main streets, 3 on Mill street.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will instruct their Treasurer to transfer the sum of \$84.03 from Mill-street sidewalk to credit of Globe Main-street sidewalk; also, \$45.07 from Mill-street sidewalk and 48 cents from Edwards street to credit of Main and Pleasant streets sidewalk.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen of the town for the ensuing year not to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors other than druggists' licenses, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers and laborers, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$32.55 to refund to John O. McKinstry for the construction of sidewalk on Pleasant street, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the town will grade Park street from Elm to Everett street and build sidewalk on said street, raise and appropriate money therefor, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 32. To see what action the town will take in regard to enlarging the almshouse, to raise and appropriate money therefor, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by publishing an attested copy of the same in the Southbridge JOURNAL the two weeks next preceding the time of holding the meeting as previously mentioned. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place heretofore indicated.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of March, A. D. 1880.

J. J. OAKES,  
A. H. WHEELER,  
S. K. EDWARDS,

*Selectmen of Southbridge.*

A true copy. Attest:

J. M. OLNEY, *Constable of Southbridge.*



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